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## BANISHING CALIPH SHATTERS MOSLEM AGITATION IN INDIA

Bengal Education Minister Believes Muhammadan Activity There Will Disappear

Hope Expressed That King Hussein of Hejaz or Emir Feisal Will Take Up Challenge

By Special Cable  
CALCUTTA, March 5.—The action of the Caliphate in abolishing the Caliphate has created consternation among the general body of Moslems in India. The Turks' action was not entirely unexpected, owing to the past record of Mustafa Kemal Pasha. Fasil Hui, Education Minister in Bengal, declares that the Caliphate agitation in India, long moribund, would now entirely disappear. He feels that it disposes of the question of the authority of the Angora Assembly, a matter which concerns the whole of the Islamic brotherhood.

Other Moslem leaders interviewed in Calcutta were equally emphatic that it would be impossible for the Moslems to reconcile themselves to such decision. The Caliphate is indispensable to the Islamic faith—every Friday prayers are offered for the Caliphate.

One Minister said he hoped King Hussein of the Hedjaz or Emir Feisal of Iraq would take up the challenge. Great distress was manifested in Delhi yesterday by Moslem members of the Indian Legislative Assembly to members of the Ottoman Red Crescent delegation.

Turkish Move Puzzles France With Pact Ready to Be Ratified

By Special Cable  
PARIS, March 5.—The French regard the abolition of the Caliphate and the expulsion of the Caliph and all members of the imperial family as marking one of the most important dates in modern history. No longer will there be even theoretical opposition in Constantinople and Angora. The sole seat of power is Angora. The spiritual besides the temporal control of any authority, apart from that of the National Assembly, is ended. The effect on the Islamic world will be considerable. France, as a Muhammadan power, as it describes itself, is particularly interested and is on the cusp of a new era. It is especially concerned with the candidature of King Hussein, which is supposed to have some support in England.

Evidently Angora is disturbed, for a recent communication from the Turkish Government endeavored to dissuade pilgrims from traveling this year to the holy places in Arabia. King Hussein is in Mecca. Naturally the Caliphate might be used as a stepping stone to full power and the emergence of a pretender at this moment would be the signal for active opposition in the Angora Assembly. France finds, in present events, some explanation of the vexations which were suffered by French and other foreign schools and institutions. Most of the French institutions are directed by religious bodies. It is now clear that a wave of anti-clericalism is passing over Turkey.

The Assembly voted for the suppression of the Ministry of Cults and education is unified. This means that Turkish religious schools also disappear. It does not console France, however, and with the Lausanne Treaty before Parliament, awaiting ratification, the deputies are extremely puzzled. In a recent number of the bulletin dealing with Near East schools, it is stated that "our national prestige, language, banks, industries, mines, maritime establishments, railways, credits, schools, rights and dignities" (Continued on Page 3, Column 1)

## Elective Plan for Successor to the Caliph Would, It Is Said, Put Turks in Minority

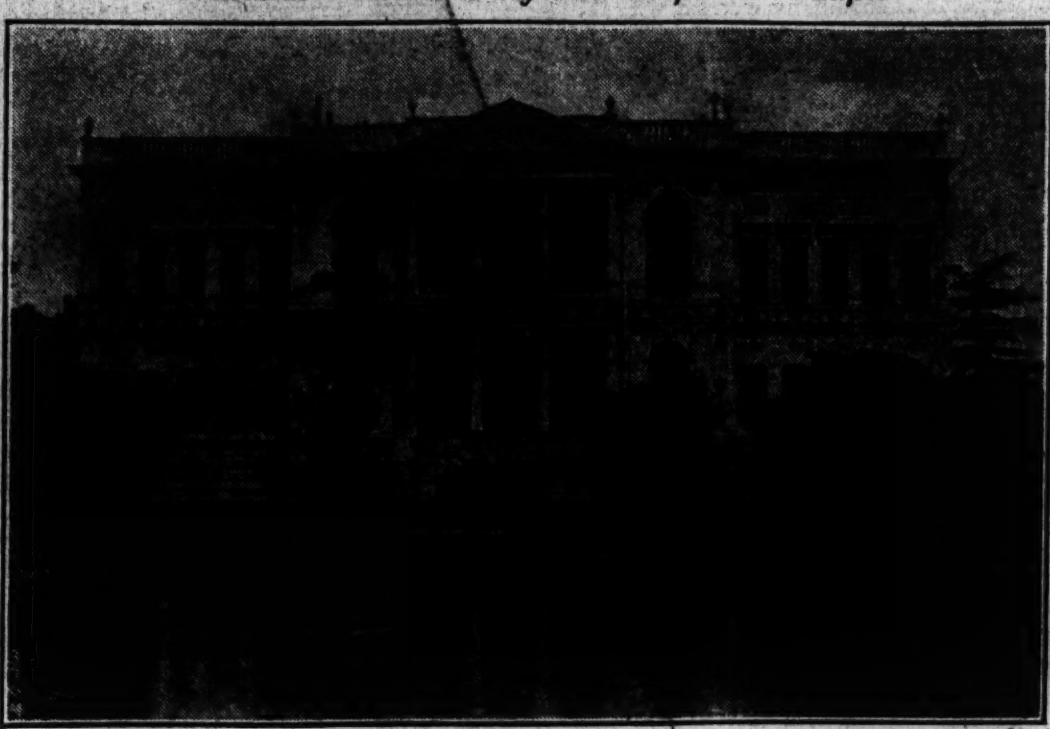
By CRAWFORD PRICE

By Cable from Monitor Bureau  
LONDON, March 5.—In their handling of the Caliphate question the Turks certainly demonstrated their ability to overcome the natural Oriental tendency toward procrastination. Having decreed the deposition of the Caliphate within 10 days, they have unceremoniously bundled them out of the country within a few hours. In point of historical fact they were conducted across the frontier in the early hours of yesterday morning.

When the Osmanli entered Constantinople five centuries ago, they surprised and massacred the priests at prayer in the Church of St. Sophia. Thus came the first Ottoman Caliph. There is a certain poetic justice about the manner of the departure of the last of the monarchs. Visited by Turkish officials at 3 o'clock yesterday morning, the unfortunate padishah was compelled to ascend the throne, apprised of his deposition, and forthwith ordered to make arrangements for his immediate departure. His destination is, presumably, Switzerland.

Opposition Is Violent  
The brusqueness of the execution of Angora's decree at least indicates the violence of the Kemalist opposition to the Caliphate. During the debate Ismet Pasha stressed the word "abolition" and unveiled the mentality of Turkey's present rulers when he declared that if Constantinople today was in their hands it was because they fought to end both the Greeks and the Caliph.

## Palatial Residence of the Deposed Caliph



Dolma Bagdche Palace

Building Vacated by Abdul Medjid Effendi Upon His Enforced Departure From Constantinople

## GERMANY BENEFITS BY ANGORA PACT

Businessmen Regain Foothold in Turkey—Hamburg-Bagdad Scheme Revived

By Special Cable  
BERLIN, March 5.—The signing of the "Treaty of Friendship" between Germany and Turkey in Angora on March 3 is regarded here as the most satisfactory foreign political achievement of the Government. The treaty has much resemblance to the Turkish-Hungarian pact and deals with the resumption of diplomatic and consular relations between the two countries, the drafting of a commercial treaty and the regulation of certain outstanding juridical questions soon. In Turkey it will be submitted to the National Assembly for ratification, while in Germany the President's signature will be regarded as sufficient since the Rapallo Treaty was ratified in a similar manner here.

With the resumption of normal relations with Turkey, once more the high-flying plans of Imperial Germany the German penetration of Asia Minor and the realization of the great commercial highway from Hamburg to Bagdad—is revived here. The outcome of the war shattered these schemes with one blow since the Germans were expelled from Turkey by order of the Allies, and direct communication between the two nations by way of Bagdad was severed.

Despite these handicaps the Germans have steadily been regaining their foothold in Turkey. Many business men have returned to their posts there, German architects and engineers are employed in rebuilding Constantinople, the Deutsche bank has reopened its branch office on its old premises in Constantinople and the German-Orient bank will soon do likewise. Already Die Zeit, organ of the Foreign Minister, demands the participation of German industry in the construction of Turkish railways.

BELGIUM'S SHARE OF COAL  
By Special Cable  
BRUSSELS, March 5.—During February Belgium obtained from the Ruhr railway 427,000 tons of coal, compared with 855,000 tons in January and 849,000 tons in December. The average for 1923 was 247,000 tons monthly.

## AMERICA WON BIGGEST PRIZE OF WORLD WAR IN PROHIBITION, MR. LLOYD GEORGE TELLS BRITAIN

Ex-Prime Minister Declares That It Has Been of Great Benefit to United States—"A New Temper and a New Appeal" Needed

By Cable from Monitor Bureau  
LONDON, March 5.—"The country which got most out of the war was the United States of America," said Mr. Lloyd George in a striking address at the National Free Church Council assembly at Brighton yesterday evening. It "has got prohibition," he went on to say. "Driving through a town I said, 'That's a fine building.' They said, 'That's an old distillery.' I said, 'I suppose it is empty.' 'No,' they said, 'it is full of wooden goods.' I drove along again and said, 'What's that?' 'That's another.' 'Empty?' 'No, motor cars for workmen.' This was an illustration of what the United States had gained.

What was wanted, Mr. Lloyd George maintained, was "a new temper and a new appeal." The world, he said, needed lifting. He was astonished, he said, that in the House of Commons, with a Labor and Liberal majority of 80 votes, the Welsh Local Veto Bill designed to deal with one of the most terrible of social evils

that could afflict a people was flung out.

A similar note was struck by Viscount Astor at the university students' debate in the Union at Cambridge yesterday evening. The problem of Great Britain today, he said, was to regain its place in the markets of the world. Alcohol was decreasing our industrial efficiency and delaying the return of prosperity. A motion in favor of a local option bill enabling the localities to settle by vote the control or abolition of the liquor traffic was passed by the meeting by a majority of 55.

The growth of the social reform movement here is also indicated by the Chancellor of the Exchequer's announcement in the House of Commons yesterday evening that the Government is convinced that to seek a revenue from a betting tax would be "against the public interest."

This, the Manchester Guardian says, "puts out of court probably forever a proposal that the State should take part of the money spent on betting."

## THREAT OF CLASH RISES IN BALKANS, SAY MACEDONIANS

Wholesale Arrest of Leaders Brings Hour for Action Nearer—Serbians Exert Pressure

By Special Cable  
SOFIA, March 5.—With the wholesale arrests of Macedonian leaders on Monday many Macedonians here declare that the hour for action between Bulgaria and Serbia is approaching rapidly. The consensus in Sofia is that if the Bulgarian authorities order general raids on Macedonians along the Bulgarian-Serbian frontier at the behest of Serbia there is liable to be a very strong repercussion here, since popular sentiment is against any such move.

Moreover, such action by the Sofia Government would place the Zankoff Ministry in an extremely difficult position, since a very large proportion of the population of Bulgaria is thoroughly in sympathy with the efforts of the Macedonians to maintain their nationality. The same danger that Alexander Stamboullsky knew when he was Premier, and which was responsible for his downfall, is now faced by Professor Zankoff, who, despite the provisions of the Bulgarian constitution and yielding to Serbian pressure, has denied the right of free speech and free legal action to Macedonians, which are allowed to all other refugees in Bulgaria.

Appeals to Powers  
Professor Zankoff appeared extremely grave when the correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor saw him at the chancellery on Monday night at the close of the ministerial council. Asked to explain the meaning of the arrests which are continuing, he said: "We are doing our utmost to convince the world we have no part in the movement that is disturbing the interior of Macedonia. Our present drastic action supplies the final test of our desire to live on friendly terms with Serbia. If this action by Bulgaria against the Macedonians fails to satisfy Serbia we must perform some other deed to the conclusion that Serbia is beyond satisfying and is only selecting a pretext for interference in our internal affairs, with a view to discovering or creating a casus belli. Our appeals are to the conscience of the great powers."

General Vulkoff, Minister of War, when asked what action the Bulgarian Army would take in the event of a Serbian march, told The Christian Science Monitor correspondent that they would stand their ground. "We will stand our ground and defend our soil and freedom," General Vulkoff said.

A Preliminary Step  
It is felt here that Serbia will have little difficulty in making a clean sweep in Bulgaria in a few days. In the event that an invasion is undertaken, military observers said that Serbia is more than 10 times as strong as Bulgaria. The general opinion here is that no reliance can be placed on the reports from Paris that the great powers agreed to protect Bulgaria from foreign interference provided Bulgaria furnishes no cause by a provocative attitude.

Both Serbian and Macedonian opinion is that Italy and Serbia are standing very close together and many of these observers declare that a Serbian march against Bulgaria would be a preliminary step to a Serbian march on Saloniki.

## Glee Clubs to Enliven Republican Convention

Cleveland, March 5  
A HERBERT COLLEGE, Amherst, Mass., President Coolidge's Alma Mater, will send the Amherst Glee Club to the Republican National Convention here during the week of June 10. Col. Carmel A. Thompson, chairman of the Cleveland Convention Committee, announced today. There are 50 voices in the club, arrangements are being completed for about other glee clubs to attend the convention, Mr. Thompson said.

## OPPOSITION FOUND TO MR. KNIGHT AS OIL CASE COUNSEL

Mr. Walsh Hears Californian Represents Rockefeller Bank—More Messages Read

Special from Monitor Bureau  
WASHINGTON, March 5.—The mass of telegrams bearing on the oil situation which have accumulated for consideration of the Public Lands Committee is so enormous as almost to clog procedure. As soon as the committee met this morning it went into executive session to consider a new collection that had been submitted by the telegraph companies.

Meanwhile opposition developed to the Constitutional Law of the Massachusetts of Samuel Magist in the litigation to recover oil lands from the Standard Oil Company in California. Thomas J. Walsh (D.), Senator from Montana, said he was informed that Mr. Knight represented the Equitable Trust Company of New York known as a Rockefeller bank.

That so many telegrams passed between persons interested in various phases of the leasing of the Government oil reserves and related matters is an indication of the importance attached to it by the participants. Many of the telegrams are unrelated to the subject of the inquiry and necessary to sift all of those of the period specified in order to find what is important to the Government in carrying on its investigation.

Complaint has been made that some (Continued on Page 3, Column 3)

## BARUCH HEARING URGED BY CRITIC

Senator Youngman Seeks Financialier's Request for Inquiry

William S. Youngman, Senate chairman of the joint legislative committee on Constitutional Law of the Massachusetts Legislature, today told a representative of The Christian Science Monitor that he had made a formal request upon the members of that committee that they vote to give Bernard M. Baruch a public hearing in which he will be accorded an opportunity to reply to charges made by Senator Youngman that Mr. Baruch had profited to the extent of almost \$500,000 through speculation during the World War. Senator Youngman said:

"I hope that the Committee on Constitutional Law will take favorable action upon my request at its first executive session, which may be late this afternoon."

Hamilton, N. Y.—Bates College, upholding the affirmative defeated Colgate by a judges' verdict of 2 to 1, in a debate on "Resolved: That the United States should join the World Court under conditions outlined by President Harding." In four debates between these institutions in the past few years, each has won two.

State College, Pa.—Fifty-one per cent of high school graduates in the United States find their way to college according to a report by A. H. Eppenshade. Figures showed that a few less than 500,000 students were attending colleges and professional schools in 1920-21. New York state leads with 65,180 and Pennsylvania is second with 36,262.

Toronto, Ont.—It was stated in the Ontario Legislature recently that the total amount spent to date on the Queenston-Chippawa hydroelectric construction work was \$70,399,166, and that 1000 miles of rural primary transmission lines had been laid.

Cambridge, England (AP)—Lecturing to the University Aeronautical Society, the Duke of Sutherland expressed the belief that light airplanes will prove themselves a wonderful new factor in aviation. The Duke paid a tribute to the American air mail and its "wonderful development" of service across the states, and told his hearers that the United States was "undoubtedly ahead of us in regard to high speed."

New York.—The city council at Saloniki, Greece, has named the streets at whose corner a new Y. M. C. A. building is being erected, in honor of the organization and of its international secretary—John R. Mott Street and Y. M. C. A. Avenue.

Paris.—Mrs. Annie Murray Dike was received today by the Academy of Agriculture, to which she was elected three months ago. She is the first woman member of this academy and the third woman to be elected to any French academy. Mrs. Dike is president of the American Committee for Relief in the Devastated Regions of France and has been active in aiding those made destitute through the war.

## FILIPINOS UNREADY FOR INDEPENDENCE, PRESIDENT INSISTS

Places Co-operation With Gen. Wood, Whom He Upholds, as Prerequisite to Freedom

Cites Obstruction to Government as Prima Facie Evidence of Unfitness for Autonomy

Special from Monitor Bureau  
WASHINGTON, March 5.—Declaring that the Filipinos are not prepared for complete independence and need the protection and guidance of the United States to help them reach the ability to govern and protect themselves from foreign aggression, President Coolidge, in a communication to Manuel Roxas, chairman of the Philippine mission, made public today, approved the administration of Gov.-Gen. Leonard Wood in the Philippines, and cited the obstruction being given him as evidence of unpreparedness on the part of the Filipinos for self-government.

The statement of Mr. Coolidge, frankly stating that the Filipinos must achieve greater progress in education, culture, economic and political capacity before they should be cast adrift by the United States, comes in the face of an unusually active campaign in Congress to bring up the question of Philippine independence for debate.

"Intelligent Co-operation"  
The Philippine mission has been active in developing independence sentiment. The letter of Mr. Coolidge was in reply to an appeal from Señor Roxas, outlining their reasons for seeking separation. Referring to the administration of General Wood, the President's letter said:

"The Government of the United States has had confidence in the ability, good intentions, fairness, and sincerity of the present Governor-General. It is convinced that he has intended to act and has acted within the scope of his proper and constitutional authority. Thus convinced, it is determined to sustain him, and its purpose is to have the most intelligent co-operation of the Filipino people in this policy."

Looking at the whole situation fairly and impartially, one cannot but feel that if the Filipino people cannot co-operate in the support and encouragement of as good an administration as has been afforded by Governor-General Wood, their failure will be rather a testimony of unpreparedness for the full obligations of citizenship, than an evidence of patriotic eagerness to advance their country.

"Conscientious Administrator"  
I am convinced that Governor-General Wood has at no time been other than a hard-working, painstaking and conscientious administrator. I have found no evidence that he has exceeded his proper authority, or that he has acted with any other than the purpose of best serving the real interest of the Philippine people.

Thus believing, I feel that I am serving those same interests by saying frankly that it is not possible to consider the extension of a larger measure of autonomy to the Filipino people until they shall have demonstrated a readiness and capacity to co-operate fully and effectively with the American Government, and with its authorities. For such co-operation I earnestly appeal to every friend of the islands and their people. I feel confident that in the measure in which it shall be extended, the American Government will be disposed to grant in increasing degree the aspirations of your people.

Nothing could more regretfully affect the relations of the two peoples than that the Filipinos should commit themselves to a program calculated to inspire the people to the same governmental concessions already made have been in any measure premature.

ALBANIA HAS NEW CABINET  
By Special Cable  
ROME, March 5.—A new Albanian ministry has been named, under the premiership of Shkëlqim Verri, who retains the portfolio of the interior. The other ministers are Ilias Vrioni, foreign affairs; Murid Lihova, justice; Mustafa Aranta, public works, and Koco Kotto, finance and education. Verri yesterday outlined before the Constituent Assembly the program of the Government, and announced a series of economic reforms and a general pardon for political crimes. He Assembly voted confidence in the Government by 53 to 26.

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## TEACHERS DISCUSS PENSION FUND BILL

Complicated Situation Expected  
to Be Adjusted at Night Hear-  
ing at State House

Discussion of a Senate bill to change the voluntary retiring age of teachers under the Boston Permanent Pension fund from 65 years to 60 years, promises to call out a large attendance to the hearing on the measure set for tomorrow evening at 7 p. m. in Room 480 of the State House. This bill represents the interest of the teachers who have not joined the new City Pension Fund. The situation is quite complicated, because of the two pension systems conducted by the city and because of the fact that the pensions vary with the number of years of service rendered, salaries received and other stipulations.

Originally it was the intention to make the pension about \$600 in both cases for the teacher retiring at 65. By the proposed bill reducing to 60 the voluntary retirement age of teachers remaining in the old pension, it is claimed by some teachers that the beneficiaries will receive \$600 at the age of 60, while under the new city plan few, if any, teachers would get more than \$400 or \$500.

To offset the difference, Miss Anne D. Allard, president of the Boston Elementary Teachers' Club, which filed the bill, points out that after the age of 65 years those who have gone into the new City Pension and do not retire earlier, find their pensions increasing rapidly, while the pensions of those remaining under the old system are stationary. This, she thinks, equalizes the situation.

Of the 3600 members of the teaching

force in Boston about 45 per cent have gone into the new pension, according to the estimate of the City Retirement Board. These include about 800 elementary teachers and 760 from other grades and departments. The Boston Elementary Teachers' Club, which is seeking to make the legislative change, has a membership of about 1800 teachers, which is about one-half the total number of teachers in the schools.

## HARVARD RESTRICTS FRESHMAN ENTRANTS

Restriction of enrollment at Harvard University has begun with the decision by the university committee on admission to limit the next freshman class, including first-year men in the engineering school, to 1000 students. Henceforth no student will be admitted unless a condition will be allowed to enroll as a freshman, and no candidate whose native tongue is English will be admitted. Under the new plan, Latin and English composition is passable. A candidate offering both Greek and Latin will not be required to present a modern language for admission. Under the new plan, Latin and English composition is passable. A candidate offering both Greek and Latin will not be required to present a modern language for admission.

## EVENTS TONIGHT

Basketball: Harvard vs. Dartmouth, Hemenway Gymnasium, Cambridge, 8. Boston Stock Exchange: Dinner, discussion of financial and industrial problems confronting New England, Algonquin Club, 7. Sanitary Section, Boston Society of Civil Engineers: Annual meeting, talk on "The Control of Pollution by Oil of Public Waters in Rhode Island" by Stephen D. Gage, Affiliation Rooms, Tremont Temple, 7.45. Harvard Club of Boston: William R. George, founder of the George Junior Republic of Preville, N. Y., speaks on "The Smallest Republic in the World," 8.30. Police Square Club of Massachusetts: First annual concert and assembly, State Ballroom, evening. Boston University: Lecture on "The Kind of Drapery and Industrial and Other Accessories Best Fitted for the New England House" by Miss Blanche Coleman, Jacob Sleeper Hall, 8. Boston Girl Scout Council: Opening of class in Girl Scout methods, Simmons School for Social Work, 18 Somerset Street, evening. Boston Branch of the National Trades Association: Annual meeting, Young Hotel, 8.30. United Improvement Association: Meeting, 8 Joy Street, 8. Home Furnishers' Association: Dinner, Hotel Vendome. Boston Music Club: Ladies' night, 8. Hockey: Boston College vs. N.E.S. of Nahant, N. H., Boston Arena, 8.15. Public observation of one of the fifty-fourth anniversary of the Boston Massacre, Twelfth Baptist Church, Shawmut Avenue and Madison Street, Roxbury, 7.30. Boston Chapter, Military Order of the World War: Dinner to Capt. Reginald Belknap of the U. S. S. Colorado, Algonquin Club, 8. Boston Alumni of Wesleyan University: Annual banquet, Boston City Club, 8.30. Massachusetts I. O. O. F.: Grand encampment, supper, and program, "Business and the New Politics," Copley Plaza, 12.30. Girls' City Club: Illustrated lecture on "Florida, the Land of Sunshine," by Prof. William Lyman Underwood of M. I. T., 8. Arlington—"Going Up," 8.15. Copley—"Secrets," 8.10. Hollis—"The Year," 8.20. Keiths—"Vaudville," 8.25. Plymouth—"You and I," 8.20. Selwyn—"Mrs. Leslie Carter in 'Stella Dallas,'" 8.15. Shubert—"Up She Goes," 8.10. Tremont—"The Larn Clock," 8.10. Tremont—"Alice Bradley in 'Zander the Great,'" 8.25. Photographs: Tremont Temple—"David Copperfield," 2.15, 8.15. Fenway—"The Stranger," 1.15, 3.40, 5.40, 7.15. Gordon's Olympia—"The Love Master," 11.40, 8, 9.

**TOMORROW'S EVENTS**  
Boston Chamber of Commerce: Assembly luncheon, address by Glenn Frank, editor of the Century Magazine, "Business and the New Politics," Copley Plaza, 12.30. Women's Republican Club of Massachusetts: Talks on "How to Help or Hinder Federal Legislation" by Mrs. Frederick P. Bailey, and "The Present Situation in Oil" by Mrs. Ila Porter Boyce, Copley Plaza, 11. National Woman's Party: Luncheon, discussions of the Equal Rights Amendment now pending in Congress, Copley Plaza. Boston Eastern Star Women's Club: Free public lecture, on "Crime Prevention," by Thomas C. O'Brien, district attorney of Suffolk County, Boston Public Library, 3. City high schools indoor athletic meet, East Armory, 3. Lowell Institute: Free public lecture, "Limitations of the Revolution Settlement," in series on "British History" by George Macaulay Trevelyan, Litt. D., Huntington Hall, 8.30. Bay State Automobile Association: Luncheon, Hotel Lenox, 12.30. Ye Olde Grey House: Recitation of Tchekov's "A Marriage Proposal," Jacob Sleeper Hall, 1.15.

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## RATE HEARINGS AGAIN POSTPONED

Appeal of Commuters to Be  
Taken Up April 16, at  
Request of Counsel

Postponement of the opening of the hearings on the appeal of the Massachusetts commuters from the decision of the Department of Public Utilities awarding the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, the Boston & Maine and the Boston & Albany railroads the right to raise their commutation ticket prices by 20 per cent, was made today at the State House by the department, at the request of H. LaRue Brown, attorney for the organization of citizens, which has asked that the rate decision be withdrawn.

Attorney Brown, who has been studying the entire case from beginning to the time of the award, told the commissioners of the department today that he desires to have at least six more weeks as he wants to give this problem "the serious and careful consideration" that it deserves. The briefs of the three railroads, as well as the schedule of rates they submitted and the estimates of their costs of operation today and what share the commutation tickets should pay, Attorney Brown told the department commissioners, involve analysis and study that he has not been able to give as yet.

When asked by Henry C. Attwill, chairman of the department, what date he thought would suit him, Attorney Brown said that he hoped to be ready to argue the case for the commuters by Wednesday, April 16. Chairman Attwill at once said that he would postpone the public hearing from today, which he had merely assigned as a tentative date on Jan. 29, until the time asked by the representative of the protesting citizens and patrons of the railroads.

Attorney Brown said later that there would really be no time lost in postponing action at this time. He said that the people's cause had been presented under manifest disadvantage and that the spokesmen who had represented the commuters had not had opportunity to become sufficiently prepared to cope with the skilled railroad traffic and rate officials presented by the railroads.

It was not expected that the attorney for the people would be ready and willing to go on with the case today. He had told several men interested in the problem before the department that the scope of inquiry he is making in the case covers all phases of the problem and that the Massachusetts commutation rates and regular passenger fares must be compared with those charged in other parts of the United States. The financial condition of the lines is to be considered as well and the credence and weight to be given to the reports and their tables of figures submitted by the roads must be taken into careful account.

Whether rates in Massachusetts and in the Boston commuting zone are higher than those charged in like districts in other parts of the country is a serious and vital feature in the inquiry which, it is declared, Attorney Brown is now trying to determine in the course of his investigation.

## ROADS CAN PAY, SAYS MR. STORROW

New England's Complaints Are  
Just, He Declares

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., March 5.—James J. Storrow, chairman of the Joint New England Railroad Committee, in an address before the Kiwanis Club and Chamber of Commerce here today, declared that all New England railroads can be made to pay a fair share for the maintenance of the roads, he declared that for a decade patrons of the road have justly complained of conditions that indicated poor service and inefficient management.

## Registered at The Christian Science Publishing House

Among the visitors from various parts of the world who registered at The Christian Science Publishing House yesterday were the following: Hugh C. Galloway, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. J. B. Warrack, Worcester, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Muellich, Gloverville, N. Y.

American visitors registered at the London Bureau of The Christian Science Monitor yesterday follow: Mr. and Mrs. Carstairs, Ferguson, N. Y.

ment. He said that the road is losing the freight business of its own territory and told how shoe manufacturers in Brockton, and even potato growers in Maine, are shipping their goods so as to avoid the New Haven road.

He quoted figures to show that the New Haven's receipts stood high among those of the entire eastern seaboard and that its difficulties were no greater than those confronting other roads.

Mr. Storrow took up the question of cotton manufacturing in Massachusetts, arguing that a fair presentation of conditions put the South in second place. He attacked the present effort to obtain a working week of five days, saying it was not necessary.

## Mr. Coolidge Praises Humane Work Plans

"Be Kind to Animals Week"  
Receives Presidential Approval

President Coolidge has endorsed "Be Kind to Animals Week" in a letter replying to an appeal from Dr. Francis H. Rowley, president of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and of the American Humane Education Society. The President's letter follows:

White House, Washington, March 5, 1924.

My Dear Dr. Rowley: Accept my thanks for your note which brings to my attention the fact that "Be Kind to Animals Week" is observed this year from April 6 to 12, inclusive. I am glad to learn that the celebration of this week is becoming more and more an affair of national interest and concern. The cause is one which thoroughly deserves all the consideration that can possibly be given it and I hope that this year's will be the most widespread and general observance that has yet been held.

Most sincerely yours,  
(Signed) CALVIN COOLIDGE.

## GRADUATES TO REPORT ENGLISH STUDY RESULT

English in the high school will be considered from the point of view of the high school graduate now studying in higher educational institutions or in business, by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, in a meeting in the Public Library lecture hall next Saturday morning.

With the object of making the course as practical as possible a questionnaire was sent to 2000 graduates for criticism of the course, studied in the light of their subsequent experience. The returns will be compiled and will be presented by one representative from each group as follows: For the graduates in business, Miss Ruth Perkins of Lee, Higginson & Co.; for the graduates in technical schools, Prof. Stephen E. Allen, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; for the graduates in colleges, Gardner Cowles of the Harvard Crimson. The point of view of the administration will be presented by John F. Scully, superintendent of schools, Brockton.

## COL. SHEEN TO SPEAK FOR GERMAN CHILDREN

Lieut.-Col. H. H. Sheen, U. S. A., will arrive in Boston tomorrow, and will speak several times in behalf of the American Committee for the Relief of German Children, of which his superior officer in Germany, Maj.-Gen. Henry T. Allen, is chairman. Colonel Sheen is now stationed at the army supply base in Brooklyn, and has the unique distinction of having been the last American officer to leave the Rhineland, leading out the last detachment of American troops from the army of occupation.

His present activity in behalf of German children is a continuation of what he did for four years when, as acting chief of staff for Major-General Allen, he had charge of the charity dispensed by the American soldiers to the little German children with whom they became friendly, who were even then obviously suffering from prolonged hunger. Colonel Sheen became known as the "Christmas tree colonel" from the festivities which he arranged at Christmas for the German children, from funds supplied him by the soldiers.

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## MAYOR ADVOCATES \$7,000,000 BRIDGE

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monuments for memorials as the commission may determine." Mayor Curley told the committee that the time had come when something must be done about the present Harvard Bridge. He said that the city engineers and all other engineers had agreed that the present structure is in a very bad condition.

"In a short time," declared Mr. Curley, "continued use of the old Harvard Bridge will be accompanied by danger to both pedestrians and to vehicles using it."

The Mayor insisted that the report to the Legislature providing for the old Harvard Bridge being repaired and put in condition for continued service is a plan which does not suit him nor the people of Boston. He said that it would be like patching an old suit of clothing, that the structure would never prove satisfactory and that the money so expended would be practically thrown away, for the bridge will have to be rebuilt.

Construction of such a bridge as the Mayor proposed, he told the committee, will enhance the admitted beauty of the Charles River Basin. He urged consideration of the aesthetic part of the problem upon the committee, telling the members that a mere bridge is not enough. It must be a pride to Boston and comport with the present West End bridge, the Lars Anderson structure, and the proposed Cottage Farm bridge.

## BROOKLINE ELECTION ALTERS CAUCUS SLATE

Brookline, faced with the necessity of going to the polls or of submitting to "government by minority," as one of its citizens had put it, brought out a vote of 6051 in the annual town election yesterday. In a preliminary caucus held in September, only 872 out of a total registration of 14,350 had cast their ballots. The women's vote yesterday was consistently heavier than that of the men, although in four of the precincts the men's ballots exceeded the women's by only one vote.

The five selectmen, Walter J. Cusick, G. Loring Briggs, Theodore G. Bremer, Daniel A. Rollins, and Charles R. Rowley, were re-elected. Dennis F. Bowen, the unsuccessful candidate, was running on nomination papers after his defeat in the caucus. Two candidates, running for public office on nomination papers after having been defeated in the town caucus last September, were successful in the election. One of them, Benjamin K. Hough, won re-election to the school committee over Francis A. Nicholls, athletic coach at Brookline High School, to whom he had lost in the caucus by a margin of one vote. In the contest for a two-year appointment to the planning board, J. Lovell Little, who has been serving on the board as a temporary appointee, carried all but one precinct over his opponent, Van Ness Bates, who had been the choice of the caucus. Mrs. Edith C. Baker and Orrin G. Wood were re-elected to the other two places on the school committee.

## RARE ANTIQUES SALE ATTRACTS COLLECTORS

An auction of more than 1800 antiques from the collection of Miss Jane Frances of Boston and Worcester was begun yesterday at the galleries of the William K. McKay Company, Inc., of 7 Bowdoin Street, Boston. The sale includes, besides many specimens of Colonial furniture and bric-a-brac, a comprehensive assortment of early Chinese clocks, lamps, and crockery ware, a pair of brightly illuminated vases, fashioned in China in 1780, with three stately grandfather clocks in attractive prospective bidder. The sale, which takes place daily at 2 p. m., will continue until and including Thursday, March 13.

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## Theory of Continent Slidings Discussed at the Harvard Union

Talks on "The Nature and Uses of Water" Lead to Questions of Plumbing of Pyramids and Predicting Weather

Everything from the "plumbing of the Pyramids" to the theory that continents are not fixed on the earth, but have slid apart from a common center, came in for discussion at the Harvard Union last night during the symposium on "The Nature and Uses of Water."

Three Harvard professors spoke, one a meteorologist, one a geologist, and the other an engineer. Incidentally, the collective breath of the audience was weighed by Prof. Alexander G. MacAdie, the first speaker, when it was found by readings of a "psychrometer," taken a half-hour apart, that moisture weighing 12 pounds had been liberated. Professor MacAdie mentioned, incidentally, that it would take about 100,000 drops of dew to weigh four pounds. He continued: "Within four or five years it probably will be possible to predict the weather for whole seasons in advance. Then we can tell whether a summer will be unduly hot, or a winter severely cold."

**Paths of Storms**  
He went on to show the paths which storms follow across the hemisphere from America to England, and continued:

The annual rainfall of Cambridge is about 40 inches a year. The heaviest rain ever recorded for one day was in Taylor, Tex., where 24 inches came down in 24 hours. Reckoning the height of Mt. Ararat at 9000 feet, it would take, to cover it—as was done, according to the Biblical account, of the flood—30 feet of rain falling through 100 days.

Speaking of "Oceans, Past and Present," Prof. Reginald A. Daly of the geological department gave a cautious support to the recent theory that the separation of the continents on the earth has taken place by a process of "continental sliding." He said in part:

The ocean is the closing scene of a long drama; its history is that of 50 per cent of the earth's surface, and the story began some one-hundred-million years ago. The ocean is one-eighth-hundredth of the earth's volume. Though water is usually considered incompressible, the ocean sits on itself so hard in its deepest point that it is 200 feet lower than if such enormous pressure were not exerted.

The ocean is pulling the earth to itself and in the struggle each tiny steel spring of a molecule is compressed. Under the full pressure of the water the earth in the depths of the sea sinks 100 feet. When the sea piled upon land as ice in the glacial period there is evidence that water enough was removed from the ocean to lower the surface, and leave vast mud flats about certain continents, notably Australia.

Known as the "continental sliding," the compressed ocean depths gives some support to the theory, however wild it may seem, that the American continents are detached parts of a former super-Europe, gradually forced away from the parent land. The outline of the west coast of Africa follows roughly the shoreline of the eastern American coast and supports the theory that the two were once contiguous.

As the last speaker, Prof. George C.

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## BANISHING CALIPH SHATTERS MOSLEM AGITATION IN INDIA

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ities have been subjected to unequal attacks.

The Turks had already notified the Powers of their intention to pay French bondholders in paper, which means cheating them of 50 per cent. It is now understood that the budget of Ottoman debt is reduced 50 per cent and nothing is to go toward the amortization of debt next term. France has lost its whole influence in the Orient. There is considerable anger. Doubtless the Chamber will vote for ratification of the treaty if M. Poincaré pushes the matter before the elections, but afterward there would be little chance of the treaty passing.

### Caliphate Talk Considered

#### Treason in Constantinople

By Special Cable

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 5.—The new "tribunal of independence" with full powers, including capital punishment without recourse to approval of the National Assembly, will arrive in Constantinople on Sunday. It is now considered treason to speak of the Caliphate.

The humiliation of the Caliph by the assembly has aroused resentment here, but the entire Moslem population is a terror-stricken, and it is impossible to induce the Turks even to discuss the expulsion of Abdul Medjid. The press is cowed and afraid to raise a protest against the high-handed methods of the military party in power at Ankara.

Conservative deputies, who worked against abolition of the Caliphate, are denounced as traitors and tools of foreign governments. Kemal Pasha has not replied to the Caliph's appeal for clemency for the members of the imperial family.

### News Excites Turks in Greece

By Special Cable

ATHENS, March 5.—News of the removal of the Caliph has intensely excited the Turks here. Hasan Pasha, ex-Mayor of Smyrna, told the Monitor correspondent that he intended to ask the Agha Khan's intervention against Ankara's action. He said the de-thronement was apt to lead to the ultimate downfall of Kemalism.

## PROGRESSIVE CHIEF HITS OLD PARTIES

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to this country," said Mr. Forke. On the other hand, national justice and seeking the welfare of all meant happiness and prosperity. He touched briefly on the Hudson's Bay Railroad, declaring that the subject could not be downed and that the west would see that the project was completed. He said that politics must be kept out of the National Railways and the board of management given every chance to make good.

**Lifting of Cattle Embargo**

Now that the cattle embargo had been lifted, the transportation interests would not be permitted to charge the limit the service would stand. He deplored the exodus of young Canadians, and thought that if farming could be made interesting and profitable they would remain at home. In some of the western provinces Anglo-Saxons and French were in the minority, and if the emigration continued this would become a foreign country.

He was glad, he said, that an amendment to the Bank Act was contemplated, and that the Federal Civil Re-Establishment would be improved so that returned men would receive a better deal.

Mr. Forke closed with the assertion that the two-party system was a thing of the past, and that never again would Canada see a government in a majority of the whole House. Under such circumstances it was ridiculous for a government to resign on account of an adverse vote, and such a habit should be dropped.

## LABOR DEFENDS ITS AIR POLICY

By Cable from Monitor Bureau

LONDON, March 5.—Lord Thompson, the British Air Minister, replying in the House of Lords to the criticism of the Government's air policy, twitted the opposition with protesting its love for France, while wishing to strengthen the air arm against that country. It was as if they said, "I could not love thee, dear, so well, loved I not air supremacy far better." The Government intended to carry on the work left by the late Government without interference, and further hoped to take measures to speed up research work and civil aviation.

Regarding the latter, he said it was essential to encourage the "air habit", that as the navy looked to the mercantile marine for its wartime reserves, the air reserve would be similarly built up. In spite of the Labor Party being idealists with a policy of preparing for peace rather than war, it would continue its policy of expansion for the present. Should some such measure as the one held recently in Washington provide for an all-round reduction of armaments, Great Britain would be eager to take full advantage of it.

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## JAPANESE SUIHEISHA PROMULGATE DEMAND

By Wireless to the Monitor

TOKYO, March 5.—The national convention of Suiheisha, composed of so-called social outcasts, has passed a resolution demanding that Japan recognize Russia and that Prince Tokugawa resign his title. A congratulatory letter to Mahatma Gandhi was tabled. The convention decided to co-operate with the Korean organizations demanding equality of races in full.

The league Suiheisha, literally "Leveling-up Association" is recruited from the Eta or outcasts of Japan, which a short time ago became class conscious and formed an organization, their numbers reaching a total of some 3,000,000. At a meeting held in Tokyo last year the new organization passed the following resolution: "We hereby resolve that we aspire to the highest pitch of human perfection, we accuse by way of direct action anyone who offers us an insult as an Eta; we look forward to the improvement of our community by appropriate measures which we shall urge the Government to adopt."

## PHYSICAL TEST PLAN OPPOSED

### Mr. Nicoll Would Examine State Workers Once Each Year

ALBANY, N. Y., March 5 (Special).—Dr. Matthias Nicoll Jr., state health commissioner, in an address before the Association of State Civil Service Employees last night in the State Education Building, advocated a physical examination once a year for all state employees. The examination, it was explained, would not be compulsory.

Horatio M. Pollock, president of the Association of Employees, declared that in order to carry out Dr. Nicoll's suggestion it will be necessary to introduce a bill in the Legislature providing for an appropriation to pay the salaries of the doctors who would devote their time to this work.

Although no opposition was voiced at the informal discussion that followed the commissioner's address the agitation is said to have aroused unfavorable comment in some quarters. Others said it would tend to reduce the number of "sick leaves" in the various state departments.

The examination system has already been installed in the State Department of Health, but it is doubtful if the other departments will fall in line. No action was taken by the Civil Service Association, but the members went on record in favor of the Higgins bill now before the Legislature. It aims to eliminate the summary dismissal of civil service employees, and provides for an eight-hour day for guards in state prisons. Another bill in favor of one day rest in seven for all state employees was also approved.

## G. F. REDMOND CO. INC. RESTRAINED IN BOSTON

A temporary injunction restraining the G. F. Redmond Company, Inc., investment brokers, 19 Congress Street, Boston, from continuing business in this city was issued today by Judge James M. Morton Jr. of the federal district court.

It is expected that the matter will come up before the session of the grand jury tomorrow. Thomas C. O'Brien, district attorney of Suffolk County, has been investigating the Redmond Company for some time, particularly the "partial payment" phase of its operations, which was alleged to be a bait by the New York State Supreme Court.

Officers of the Redmond Company are said to be James S. Lamont, 31 Lake Avenue, Natick, president; George F. Redmond, 227 Temple Street, West Newton, treasurer; Arthur A. Diggins, Bradford Street, Roslindale, is clerk. The company was organized in May, 1915, with total stock of \$125,000.

**GREEK OFFICERS URGE REMOVAL OF DYNASTY**

By Special Cable

ATHENS, March 5.—Republican circles have assured the correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor that George Kafandaris, the Premier, will be unable to hold power long, owing to the increasing discontent among officers who demand the removal of the dynasty. It is understood that seven high officers resigned yesterday.

Official circles, however, assured the correspondent that the position of the cabinet is firm. Mr. Kafandaris declared that he will have recourse to strict measures of discipline in dealing with recalcitrant officers.

## ENGINEERS' BANK CHARTERED

Announcement has been made at the State House that the Massachusetts Board of Bank Incorporation has granted a charter to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers to operate a trust company in the banking rooms on Devonshire Street, formerly occupied by the Cosmopolitan Trust Company.

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## OPPOSITION FOUND TO MR. KNIGHT AS OIL CASE COUNSEL

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of the most important witnesses have not yet been heard, but a member of the committee today, while admitting that tremendous efforts had been made to prevent one of these witnesses from appearing on the stand, said that it was necessary to go through the telegrams and other apparently less significant details in order to obtain the most thorough information from the important witnesses when they are taken in hand.

Whether Edward B. McLean, the Washington publisher, appears before the committee or not, virtually all of his activities have been covered by the testimony of his subordinates and others who were in communication with him and by the telegrams which passed over the commercial wires. The missing link is the messages conveyed over the private wire and which have been destroyed. Others, however, can give as much information as Mr. McLean on that point.

The policy of the committee is now not so much to get certain definite facts as to show how far-reaching the conspiracy was and to bring into the light the various ramifications and the persons and interests involved. The oil investigation can no longer be divorced from the investigation of the Department of Justice.

The farther that the Public Lands Committee proceeds, the more evident it is that there is an interlocking group whose activities have found their way into many of the functioning bodies of the Government. Mr. McLean's communications affected more than the naval oil leases.

The Grand Jury action just decreed by the White House, affecting members of the House alleged to have taken part in the oil case, has caused by developments unsanctioned by J. W. E. Crim, special attorney of the Department of Justice, in charge of the Veterans' Bureau cases. Judge Crim is said to have other material involving officials ready to present when the time is propitious.

It is being recalled that before preparing to leave the Department of Justice several months ago he made a public speech in which he arraigned the Government for certain practices and delinquencies. Although only two members of the House of Representatives have been mentioned so far in Mr. Crim's report, involving \$30,000 in bribes, there is an air of vast uneasiness in the halls of Congress today and the query is met with on all hands, "How far is this thing going and who will be hit next?"

**Maze of Ramors**

To what extent the various investigations and quasi-investigations can be made to dovetail so that results can be obtained with the least possible loss of time and effort is now a problem in efficiency with which both Senate and House must grapple.

For the moment, agricultural needs have taken the center of the stage in the Senate, the Norbeck bill being under consideration, but there is obviously a difficulty in holding the attention of the members to a question having so little of the sensational while rumors are flying thick and fast in corridors and cloakrooms and political prognostications are being demoralized by daily developments.

At the slightest opportunity Senators break in for the arrangement of persons under accusation or catch the galleries with topical poems, dealing with the popular themes.

The so-called Wheeler committee is devoting its time this week to an examination of material which had come into possession of several of the members, and public hearings will not begin until next week.

## POSTAL CLERKS ASK WAGE BILL SUPPORT

Post office clerks of the Nation are calling upon the general public to assist them in their efforts to obtain better wages by writing at once indorsement of H. R. 7016 to Calvin D. Falge, Representative from Massachusetts, and Walter E. Edge, Senator from New Jersey, of the sub-committee of the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads.

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## Riff Forces Resume Offensive in Morocco

Paris, March 5

IN SPITE of the censorship it has leaked out that the Riff forces have recommenced their offensive against the Spanish troops at Melilla. They have bombarded a cruiser. The counter-offensive of the Spanish soldiers failed in its purpose. The Spanish Government is sending reinforcements immediately.

The gravity of the situation may be appreciated when it is remembered that it was Moroccan reverses that really made the advent of Primo de Rivera possible. Fresh reverses may well produce other changes. Every effort to direct the operations with vigor will be made, for it is announced that the Directorate has nominated for the presidency of the Supreme War Council General Weller, who was an implacable critic of military operations by the former Government. Thus the Moroccan operations may enter a new phase of great activity.

## RUSSIA IMPRESSES EX-SENATOR FRANCE

By Special Cable

MOSCOW, March 5.—Joseph I. France, ex-Senator, who left yesterday for America after a six weeks' stay, told a correspondent that he had secured three tentative business agreements with the Russian Government on behalf of American firms. While he was reticent regarding the details of the agreements, Mr. France intimated that one contract provided means for obtaining Russian woodpulp for an American paper industry, mentioning the Republic International Corporation as the paper firm for which he had acted. Mr. France hopes to return to Russia within two months.

Asked about conditions as compared with his earlier Russian visit, in 1921, he said: "The economic progress of Russia during the past year has surpassed anything I could have imagined. The shops were boarded up in 1921; today every Moscow store is occupied and the shops and business places compare favorably with those of New York, London, and Paris. The railroads are efficiently operated, industry has revived, and currency is stable. Under these conditions our Government policy of stubbornly refusing to discuss Russian recognition seems fantastic and incomprehensible. I don't understand it; American business men are perplexed by Mr. Hughes' attitude, and the Russians cannot explain it. Representatives of other governments are here, especially the British, silently amused, as well as deeply gratified, that our blunders have so greatly increased their prestige and enlarged their opportunities in Russia."

**ONE SYSTEM CARRIED 231,060 PASSENGERS**

The greatest number of passengers transported both ways across the Atlantic Ocean in 1923 by any one steamship line or group of lines were carried by ships of the International Mercantile Marine Company, the total being 231,060. It was announced here today.

The figures embrace carryings between ports in Europe and those in Canada, the United States and Cuba, by ships of the American line, Atlantic Transport line, Leyland line, Red Star line, White Star line, and White Star-Dominion line, but exclude carryings on West Indies cruises.

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## WINSTON CHURCHILL IMPROVES CHANCES

By Cable from Monitor Bureau

LONDON, March 5.—Dramatic developments have taken place at the eleventh hour in the by-election in the Abbey division of Westminster. Winston Churchill has announced his decision to stand as an independent anti-Socialist and Lieut.-Col. G. Parkinson, the independent Conservative candidate, has withdrawn in his favor. The official Conservative machine has pledged itself to Mr. Nicholson, a candidate of good repute but without the political experience and influence possessed by Mr. Churchill.

This development has brought in a Liberal competitor in J. Scott Buckers. Labor may also put in a candidate, and J. Havelock Wilson, the veteran leader of the Seamen's and Firemen's Union is considering standing as an independent Trade Unionist. Interest centers in Mr. Churchill, who is strongly backed. He not only has the Rothermere and Beaverbrook press behind him, but J. M. M. Erskine, the Conservative member for the neighboring division of St. George's, declared himself on his side and a movement has been started for the calling of another meeting of the local Conservative Association to reopen the decision in favor of Mr. Nicholson, which is disputed on the ground that it does not represent the feeling prevailing in the constituency.

Mr. Churchill is appealing for both Conservative and Liberal support and it is by no means certain that he may not succeed.

The Conservative Daily Telegraph today even mentions the possibility that he "may yet have an unopposed return." The significance of the matter lies in the dissatisfaction felt inside the Conservative Party at the recent conduct of its affairs, and the fact that Mr. Churchill is regarded as a possible alternative to Stanley Baldwin, as leader of the party. In an article today headed "The Failure of Tory Leadership," Lord Beaverbrook's organ says that Toryism is "to clear its decks" before it can fight the next election, and "one of the first things to be cleared is incompetent leadership."

**TRIBUTE FOR CRISPUS ATTUCKS**

Tribute was paid today to Crispus Attucks, the Negro who fell 154 years ago today during the so-called Boston Massacre. At State and Exchange streets a wreath was placed in his honor by James G. Wilson on behalf of the National Equal Rights League, and at noon the city placed the municipal and national colors, with a wreath, at the Attucks Monument on Boston Common. A memorial meeting will take place in the Twelfth Baptist Church at 7:30 this evening.

**JAPANESE CHILDREN GRATEFUL**

By Wireless to the Monitor

TOKYO, March 5.—The primary school children of Tokyo are preparing letters of thanks to send to the school children of America and Europe who wrote letters of sympathy following the earthquake. The subject matter is left entirely to the children, but the words, peace, philanthropy and friendship frequently occur. A literal English translation will accompany the letters in full.

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## EXPERTS APPROACH THE REPORT STAGE

By Special Cable

PARIS, March 5.—The experts have now definitely begun to draw up their report. The subcommittees are putting down their own conclusions on various subjects, and these conclusions will be afterward collated and included in a general report. Some subjects, however, are not yet exhausted. The railway problem is being solved as follows: The Franco-Belgian régime will not entirely disappear. The Rhineland and the Ruhr railways will, from a financial viewpoint and as regards general direction, be included in the German system, constituting a section. The whole will serve as the basis for an international loan. Nevertheless this section will remain under allied supervision, and the French will be able to assure the safety of the troops.

The bank issue is giving some anxiety. It is not easy to change from the antenmark to a gold mark currency. A German president for the proposed bank is to be appointed, thus preserving the appearance of Germany's sovereignty. In regard to a loan, the hopes are not too high and in any event it must be issued on a modest scale.

## IMMIGRATION ISSUE DISTURBS JAPANESE

By Special Cable

TOKYO, March 5.—Viscount Keigo Kiyomura, Premier, Baron Keishiro Matsui, Viscount Eiichi Shibusawa, Baron Yoshio Sakatani are conferring together on the anti-Japanese measures in the United States. Viscount Shibusawa declared that he was ready at any moment to proceed to America to attempt to alleviate the anti-Japanese feeling.

Baron Sakatani issued a lengthy statement, emphasizing the importance of the immigration bill as regards Japan reviewing the spread of the anti-Japanese sentiment from California to 11 other states, and forecasting the probability of the congressional adoption of the exclusion clause despite the opposition of President Coolidge and Charles E. Hughes, Secretary of State. He expressed the opinion that an unofficial representative should go to America, either Viscount Kaneko or Viscount Shibusawa.

## GOVERNMENT DEFEATS SWARAJIST MOTION

By Special Cable

BOMBAY, March 5.—A heated debate was occasioned in the Bombay Legislative Council yesterday, on the subject of the general educational policy of the Government, which arose out of a motion to reduce the education grant by one rupee, as a vote of censure of the Government. The Swarajists contended that the Government had not supplied the Education Member with sufficient funds to enable him to conduct the department to the satisfaction of the public.

The Minister was asked to press for a larger contribution from the Government. Non-Brahmin members sided with the Minister, who represents the backward classes. The official members were reinforced by the non-Brahmin bloc which defeated the motion of the Swarajists, whom the Muhammadan members supported, by the narrow majority of five votes.

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## VIRGIN ISLANDS' STATUS BETTER THAN EXPECTED BY COMMISSION

Advance Reports Exploited in Radical Negro Press Found to Be Propaganda by Group of Negro Investigators

CHRISTIANSTED, St. Croix, Virgin Islands, Feb. 20 (Special Correspondence)—Conditions among the black people of these islands, chiefly agricultural laborers who represent about 95 per cent of the population, are much better, it appears, than advance reports to the United States commission, which has just finished an investigation here, had led it to believe. The commission, named by James Davis, Secretary of Labor, departed after a two weeks' examination of all classes of the inhabitants by means of public meetings held both in St. Croix and St. Thomas islands. The commission was unusual in that it was composed entirely of Negroes. Its chairman was George H. Woodson of Des Moines, Ia. The commission had been impressed by the advance reports of alleged destitution, starvation and beggary of the black people. These apparently originated, as certainly they were exploited, in the racial Negro press in the United States, especially by those papers published and circulated in the Harlem section of New York City, the population of which is largely composed of emigrants from these and other West Indian islands.

### Radio Message Withheld

For this reason the members were prepared for drastic remedies. The chairman of the commission is authorized for the statement that they had even considered, on the passage out, a plan to send a radio message to the Government asking that a relief ship be sent to relieve distress. The message was not sent. Mr. Woodson publicly stated, because conditions were found to be far different from what had been represented.

With hearty co-operation from all agencies, public hearings were begun at once on matters of labor, wages and economic conditions. The report of the commission to Mr. Davis has not been made public here, but the members commended the educational department of the islands in a testimonial before they left. Under the American régime a unique record has been set, it is pointed out, with an attendance averaging 95 per cent of enrollment in each school.

From the evident and expressed reaction of members of the commission to the charges made of destitution, oppression of laborers by employers, restriction of free speech, and brutality of the United States Marines, together with demands for universal suffrage and United States citizenship, the report is unlikely to bear out the representations of agitators in the United States. A member of the commission remarked that if the well-dressed, well-fed people he had seen everywhere were samples of the natives in the "oppressive" conditions described, he himself would not mind being one of the "barefooted Virgin Islanders."

### Insufficient Rainfall

The commission found that commercial depression in the islands is due to insufficient rainfall, the islands having suffered from drought for three years, with cumulative harm to the agricultural and stock-growing interests. At the request of the Governor, the Secretary of the Navy has sent hither Commander Warfield, of the United States Navy, an authority on water conservation and supply, to plan measures of relief. Another expert will report on the possibility of impounding water for irrigation purposes.

The commission gave patient, exhaustive hearings to representatives of the various labor factions. During the hearings and afterward in a public address, the chairman urged that there should be more friendly co-operation and less of class and race antagonism in the islands. On the subject of universal suffrage, there is good ground for saying that the commission will not recommend that it be granted. The existing restriction of suffrage is not due to federal action, but is an inheritance from the Danish régime, established by local legislation—that of the colonial councils, part of whose membership is elected and part appointed by the Governor. In the hearings even those most critical of present conditions

were not a unit in urging universal suffrage.

In discussing the judicial system of the islands which is an almost verbatim adoption of the system in Alaska, the commission outlined particularly concerned with the clause that makes the government attorneys both grand jury and prosecutor.

Prosecution by indictment. Criminal prosecutions are begun on "information" filed by the government attorney (one for St. Thomas and one for St. Croix) who are named by the Governor and paid from federal funds. Those who complain of the arrangement urge prosecutions begun on "indictment" returned by grand jury. Since the list qualified for jury service is comparatively small—the jury system being an entirely American innovation in these islands—the necessity of a grand jury panel would increase difficulties.

The economic problem of St. Thomas as distinct from that of St. Croix, is the marked decline in commercial and shipping interests, and the alleged disastrous effects of the prohibition law upon the making of rum. Regarding the latter, the bay rum trade is very small, employing not more than 30 persons, and the prohibition requirement that denatured alcohol be used, involves only a small amount of this article. Shipping had been diminishing for many years previously to American suzerainty. The stoppage of the chief line, the Hamburg-American, as well as several others at the outbreak of the war, dealt a severe blow, for this business was worth about \$300,000 a year.

Depression in St. Croix, the interests of which are agricultural and bound up in the sugar cane crop, is undoubtedly severe. It is due to the fact that for nearly four years the rainfall has been markedly insufficient. The sugar crop of 1924 will total but a small proportion of that of a normal year.

### 1925 Prospects Brighter

The prospects for 1925 are brighter. (Sugar, in these islands, requires from 15 to 18 months to mature.) The one industrial interest, the making of sugar in three factories, is as hard hit as any planting interest, and planters and tenants are now unquestionably heavily burdened with several years' debt.

The radical element here tried hard to make out a case of discrimination in judicial procedure against the Negroes, and cited a number of cases which they alleged proved their point. One of the more serious cases dated back to 1919, when the islands were not under civil government, and before American judicial proceedings had been adopted. In nearly all of them the extreme assertions made by agitators seem to have been proved to have slight foundation. One case on which great stress was laid was the deportation of Reginald G. Barrow, a black preacher and a British subject, who, by order of the Governor, was deported as an undesirable alien, it being held that he had excited race and class antipathies. This case was considered with the others.

It is generally conceded here that the commission has done a good work in baring actual conditions, the exact causes of social and industrial unrest, the underlying motives of such charges as have been made, and the needs of the islands.

**MATHEMATICIANS TO MEET**  
TORONTO, March 1 (Special Correspondence)—The International Mathematical Congress will be held here from Aug. 11 to 15. Mathematicians from almost every country in Europe will be present. Germany will not be represented, that country having been barred by a resolution of the other members. The conference will be held under the auspices of the University of Toronto and the Royal Canadian Institute.

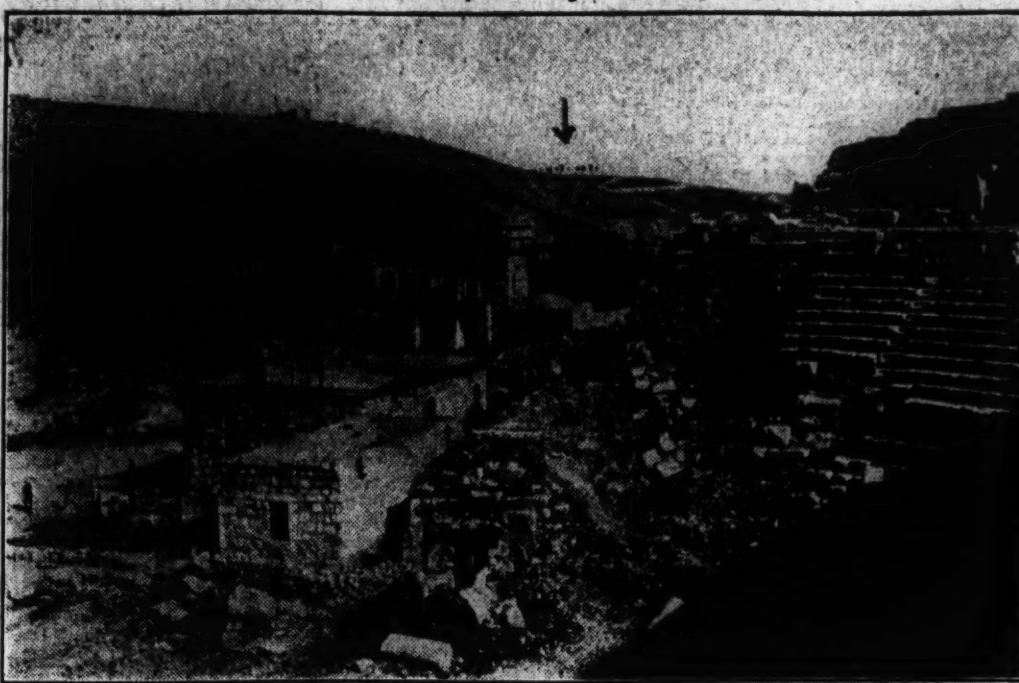
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## Amman, the Capital of Transjordan



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## Washington Observations

Washington, March 5  
SINCE his accession to the presidency, Mr. Coolidge has practically boycotted Massachusetts and New England in the realm of Federal appointments. A decent respect for the opinion of western mankind is back of this policy of self-denial. Appointment of William Phillips to be Ambassador to Belgium and naming Joseph C. Grew as his successor constitute the first recognition New England has secured, and promotions for acknowledged merit in the diplomatic service. Mr. Phillips is a native of Beverly, Mass., and a graduate of Harvard. The only other known Massachusetts appointments outside of postmasterships, since August, 1923, are those of Mr. Washburn, a lawyer, to inquire informally into the Bureau of Engraving affair on the President's behalf, and of James Williams, of the Boston Transcript, to be a member of the annual board of visitors to Annapolis.

Count that day lost whose low descending sun has not gone down on a new Republican vice-presidential boom. The very latest has Brig.-Gen. Frank T. Hines, director of the Veterans' Bureau, for its hero. Such a nomination, as tail-end of a Coolidge ticket, would supply the western balance which the party is planning for. Also it undoubtedly would be a popular choice, as far as ex-service men are concerned. General Hines hails from Utah, where he joined the army as a buck private during the war with Spain. In recent years he has lived in New York State, but Utah is his political domicile, and from the land of Smoot comes word of a husky Hines-for-Vice-President movement.

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Thomas J. Walsh, Senator from Montana, Democratic battle-ax of the oil investigating committee, has the reputation of being the most solemn man in Congress, as well as one of its most eminent lawyers. His smiles and lighter moments are said to be as rare as Calvin Coolidge's conversational commitments. In private contacts with intimate friends, Senator Walsh flashes frequent shafts of wit, but there is little of the half-fellow-well-met about him. He shuns the effusive arts of the hack politician.

Arthur M. Free, Representative from California, chief advocate of Asiatic exclusion, says the Japanese who must soon vacate the soil of the Pacific coast states, on account of the new alien land laws, have designs on this part of the country. Mr. Free has heard from North Carolinian colleagues in Congress that a formidable Japanese invasion of that State is in contemplation. California exclusionists frankly rejoice over such a project. They say that easterners would view the Japanese question through less rose-tinted glasses if they had the problem nearer their own doorsteps.

President Coolidge continues to receive delegations of handshaking patriots, despite the grave preoccupations of the hour. He insists upon speed in lining them up and passing them along. Chatty taxpayers who expect a conversational moment or two with "Cal" usually find themselves outside the executive office almost before they realize they've been in it. The other day a committee of eminent citizens, who sought an "audience," were mortified to discover themselves in a queue along with a company of midgets engaged at a local theater. Calvin Coolidge plays no favorites. The dwarfs got as much time as the eminent citizens—about a quarter of a second each.

William Allen White, Kansas, is writing a book about Woodrow Wilson—"even though I'm a Republican," he explains. The admission was extorted by an inquirer who wanted to know if Mr. White is a candidate for President on the Republican ticket.

"I would make the world's worst President," the Emporia editor ejaculated in a burst of self-effacement. "I hope I won't be the world's worst biographer." Mr. White attended the Paris Peace Conference as a scribe. President Wilson appointed him an American commissioner on an inter-allied expedition that was shipwrecked by the Big Four before it could get under way. F. W. W.

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## KING OF HEJAZ VISITS HIS SON, THE EMIR ABDULLAH, AT AMMAN

While at Maan He Outlines for an Assembly of Chiefs His Views Concerning Future of Arab Peoples

AMMAN, Feb. 2 (Special Correspondence)—Amman is a small town of about 10,000 inhabitants, mostly Circassians, brought here from the Caucasus by the Turkish Government after the Russo-Turkish war, when these Moslems preferred to leave their homes rather than remain under Russian domination. Most of the houses are small and built very close together as a protection against the Bedouin, whom the Circassians dislike and distrust. The only large building in the place is the still uncompleted palace of the Emir Abdullah. There are the remains, in excellent preservation, of a great amphitheater, dating from the late Roman period, which was built after the city of Philadelphia had temporarily usurped the site of Rabbath-Ammon.

Amman Crowded  
Recently Amman was full to overflowing with visitors of every kind—delegations from Syria, Palestine, Egypt, and from the Bedouin tribes of the desert, stretching away from Transjordan to the Euphrates, journalists, orientalist, men of many races and religions—all come to see King Hussein on his first visit to any place outside his domains since his proclamation in 1916 as King of the Hejaz.

King Hussein stayed at Maan for several days and during an interview showed himself courteous to a degree. The local chiefs came to Maan to do homage. The King left his chair and seated himself cross-legged on a rug to receive his subjects. About 30 chiefs entered, saluted, and seated themselves in a semicircle before the King. Then began an informal council. The King outlined his position vis-à-vis the British Government and stated what were his intentions regarding the future of the Arab peoples as a whole. The discussion proceeded in a very democratic manner, the various speakers stating their point of view without hesitation and being addressed by the King as "my sons."

**Horsemen Meet King Hussein**  
The King left Maan three days later amid scenes of great enthusiasm. On arriving at Katra, half way to

Amman, he was received by hundreds of Arab horsemen, who galloped along side the train. Here again King Hussein held a court and received loyal addresses, after which there was an Arab symkhana, the tribesmen performing remarkable feats.

The King was met a few miles from Amman by two airplanes of the British Royal Air Force detachment, stationed just outside the town. The railway station was thronged by hundreds of residents, officials, members of delegations and Bedouin tribesmen from the surrounding districts. A salute of 10 guns was fired from the Kasr as King Hussein drove into the courtyard of the Emir Abdullah's motor car.

That evening King Hussein gave a banquet which was attended by all the local chiefs, the British Representative in Transjordan, the British commander of gendarmes, and the leaders of the delegations from neighboring Arab countries. Later Sir Herbert Samuel, High Commissioner for Palestine, accompanied by Sir Ronald Storrs, Sir Gilbert Clayton, General Tudor and other officials of the Palestine Government, arrived in Amman and were entertained at lunch on by the King and in the evening at dinner by Mr. Philby, British Representative in Transjordan.

Mr. Philby welcomed King Hussein as the founder of Anglo-Arab friendship, and spoke of the King's ancestors having conquered Transjordan from the Romans, just as the King himself had driven out the Turks. The atmosphere of the gathering was most cordial.

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That President Coolidge will be nominated by the Republican Party at Cleveland next June and elected by the people in November was asserted to be his conviction by William M. Butler, President Coolidge's campaign manager, who came from Washington to Boston yesterday to reassure the Republicans and to tell them that he had been all over the United States and thought he knew what he was talking about.

Mr. Butler, who was the leading speaker of the evening, did not by words allude to his own candidacy for the United States Senate, but he did challenge the record made by David I. Walsh, the Democratic incumbent, charging him with not representing the interests of Massachusetts when he voted against the protective tariff bill when it was before the Senate two years ago. Mr. Butler said that Senator Walsh should not have allowed his Democratic partisanship to prevent his standing for a Republican measure that meant so much to Massachusetts' prosperity as a State.

Guests Numbered 300  
About 300 members of the State Legislature, state officials and specially invited guests were at the Brunswick hotel last night for the dinner, headed by Channing H. Cox, Governor, and Mr. Butler, political representative of the President.

By rising vote the dinner voted to send to President Coolidge this greeting and pledge:

We Republicans of Massachusetts express our firm faith in our great President, Calvin Coolidge.

We well know his rugged honesty, his high purpose, and his great courage. We know him to be a man of resolute determination to do what is right. We Republicans here assembled pledge him our hearty co-operation and support.

Message from President Coolidge:

Please extend to the members of the state committee and their guests my cordial greetings. Effective organization is essential to the cause of good government, and I know that the party can count upon the state organization in the future as in the past for that efficient action which brings success.

Governor Cox, Alvan T. Fuller, Lieutenant Governor Frank G. Allen, members of the State Senate, and B. Loring Young, Speaker of the House of Representatives, were the other formal speakers of the evening. Chairman Foss called the dinner to order and told them briefly of the importance of the campaign upon the threshold of their own history.

Governor Cox asked all Republicans in the State to submerge any ambitions of their own which would tend to breed any lack of harmony in the party. He said this was a time to stand together and to give to the country a President a man in whom all really believed for they had seen him tested and knew him. "The sturdiest champion of democracy in the whole world," Governor Cox styled Mr. Coolidge as he concluded his speech.

**SERVICE TO DUMB ANIMALS IS URGED**

Maine Schools Head Issues  
Booklet to Children

AUGUSTA, Me., March 5 (Special).—"In our State in elementary schools we should not neglect to study the preparation of animals for winter and how they get their food, nor should we forget to teach the instinct with which they are endowed," says Augustus O. Thomas, State Commissioner of Education, in a booklet on "Humane Education in the Public Schools of Maine," which is now being distributed to the public school teachers. He continues:

Maine gives an unusual opportunity for the study of wild animals. The State is rich in animals of all kinds which serve the needs of man. The winters are severe and many animals perish. Children should have their attention called to these things and should think out ways of protecting and serving animals and birds.

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It was at the instance of Gov. Percival P. Baxter that Commissioner Thomas arranged the material for the booklet.

## SHOE INDUSTRY SEEKS TAX RELIEF

Auburn, Me., Conditions Result in Conferences

AUBURN, Me., March 5 (Special).—As a result of conferences between the shoe manufacturers of Auburn and the city officials the situation in the industry is being forced on the way that it is probable that an attempt will be made to abate the taxes on the seven big shoe shops here the coming year.

It is shown that production in a year's time has dropped two-thirds and that in three months the pay roll was \$1,000,000 less than a year ago. The manufacturers attribute conditions to the fact that the shoe business, but to sharp competition in the middle west and south, where, they say, taxes are abated, free factories are offered to attract concerns and other conditions are more favorable.

The seven principal shops in Auburn are paying \$94,000 a year in taxes now, which is more than a 5 per cent increase over the early war period. The manufacturers state that they want to stay here and continue their fight as other shops throughout New England are fighting.

## MUSIC

Carol Robinson

Carol Robinson, an American-trained pianist from the middle west, gave her first Boston recital in Steinert Hall last night, playing numbers by Schumann, Liszt and Chopin, and a series of modernist compositions, several of which were heard for the first time in Boston. She had played previously with the People's Symphony Orchestra here and with the Boston Symphony Orchestra in Providence.

Of the pieces introduced here by Miss Robinson, "Sonata" by Darius Milhaud, proved more pleasing than a set of "Promenades" by Poulenc and a "Sonatine" by Auric. The "Promenades" were surely striking and unusual, were somewhat forced in their effort for effect. Auric's piece was vivid and fantastic, but seemed somewhat excessively dissonant.

Miss Robinson's technique, dexterity and sparkle made her an excellent interpreter of these novel compositions.

For the rest there was an interesting "Danse Exotique" by Alexander Steinert Jr. and numbers by Scriabin and Ravel. In these, as in Chopin and Schumann, while the player's technique was beyond reproach, the sense of color and her power unusual, it seemed that a music man's grasp of content had eluded her.

But the best came at the close in two new pieces by De Falla. In "The Ritual Dance of the Fire" Miss Robinson was at her best, playing with remarkable musical dash, variety of tonal gradations and an extraordinary sense of rhythm. She was applauded generously and recalled for several encores.

## Apollo Club

The Apollo Club, Emil Mollenhauer, conductor, gave the third concert of its fifty-third season last night in Jordan Hall. Claire Maentz, soprano, soloist, really believed for they had seen him tested and knew him. "The sturdiest champion of democracy in the whole world," Governor Cox styled Mr. Coolidge as he concluded his speech.

Governor Cox asked all Republicans in the State to submerge any ambitions of their own which would tend to breed any lack of harmony in the party. He said this was a time to stand together and to give to the country a President a man in whom all really believed for they had seen him tested and knew him. "The sturdiest champion of democracy in the whole world," Governor Cox styled Mr. Coolidge as he concluded his speech.

## NEW ENGLAND PROBLEMS

Financial and industrial problems now confronting New England will be discussed at a dinner of the governing committee of the Boston Stock Exchange at the Algonquin Club tonight. The speakers will include Charles F. Adams, president of the John T. Connor Company, Prof. C. J. Bullock of Harvard University, and John R. Macomber of Harris, Forbes & Co., Inc.

## SUBURBY VOTES ON BILLBOARDS

Citizens of Sudbury voted yesterday to accept the State Highway Commission's regulations respecting billboards, and an addition adopted a by-law limiting the size of billboards in the town to 6x18½ feet, with the provision that they be placed at least 100 feet from the highway.

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## COLLEGE Y. W. C. A. ELECTS OFFICERS

Rochester, N. Y., Girl Heads Mt. Holyoke Branch

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass., March 5 (Special).—Miss Elizabeth Wray '25 of Rochester, N. Y., was elected president of the Mount Holyoke College branch of the Young Women's Christian Association for the academic year 1924-1925 by a large majority at the annual election of officers here.

Miss Wray at present occupies the position of vice-president of the association. Throughout her college career she has been active in the affairs of her class, acting first as its temporary chairman and then as its president in her freshman year, and as a member of its executive board for the year 1923-1924. She was a member of the committee which drew up the constitution of the Mount Holyoke Community Government adopted two years ago and served last year as sophomore member of the conference committee representing the Community Judicial Board. She is also an active member of the Dramatic Club in which she has held office as secretary.

Other newly elected officers of the Y. W. C. A. are Miss Audrey Allen '26 of New York City, who will act as vice-president, Miss Leonora Hiscord '26 of Wilton, Me., undergraduate representative; Miss Olive Moore '26 of Arlington, Mass., assistant treasurer, and Miss Helen Clark '27 of Newton Highlands, Mass., secretary.

## NEW STATE COLLEGE BUILDING PROPOSED

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 5 (Special).—Two direct results of the visit by the General Assembly to the Rhode Island State College at Kingston two weeks ago today were shown in the House last night.

The first was a resolution to provide \$300,000 for a new building for the engineering department and a resolution appropriating \$14,000 to further work on the experimental station there. The resolutions were offered by Representative Frederick S. Peck (R.), chairman of the House Finance Committee, and by the far most potential figure in the Legislature. They were referred to Mr. Peck's committee, and the friends of the measure agreed that they begin their legislative journey immediately.

## U. S. PACIFIC FLEET ARRIVES AT NEW YORK

Special from Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK, March 5.—The Pacific fleet has arrived at New York and landed some 7000 men on shore leave. The fleet consists of the Nevada, the Texas, the New York, the Mississippi, the Idaho, the Arizona, the California, the Seattle, Admiral Coontz's flagship; the New Mexico, the Tennessee, and the Maryland.

The battle fleet, which is here for a 10-day stay, includes seven admirals, 800 other officers, and 13,000 enlisted men. It is anchored in the Hudson River from Seventy-Ninth to One Hundred and Twenty-Fifth Street. Admiral Robert E. Coontz is the fleet commander.

## ART At the Guild

Simplification of form and dominance of color and contour are the significant features of the paintings by Albert Felix Schmitt, now on view at the Guild of Boston Artists on Newbury Street. In his most recent things, Mr. Schmitt relinquishes the careful modeling of his earlier painting, and shows an interest in silhouette and large masses offsetting one another. In still-life he continues to have a taste for candlebras, tapering candelas, brases and plants.

This artist has discovered that in simplicity there is dignity and nobility. He makes a decorative painting of one blossom of gladioli, of but a few stalks of iris. The petals are drawn with thin brush strokes, getting the semitransparency and shaded tints. "The Psyche of Naples" is a realistically painted cast, set against an appropriate background, a gray wall covered with ivy. "Dancing Nymph" is an idyllic piece.

In portraiture Mr. Schmitt's decorative style lends itself to development of the adornment and beauty of woman. The fair-haired ladies are ethereal, emerging as they do from the mystical jet-black backgrounds. "Mr. Hugh Buckle," a portrait of an actor who has recently won praise for his work at the Copley Theatre, is a strong characterization. "His Scottish Highness" has a distinguished silhouetted grouping.

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## MOTOR CHAMBER FAVORS RULES ON TRAFFIC SAFETY

Special from Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK, March 5.—The National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, in a pamphlet entitled "Education, Punishment and Traffic Safety," by George M. Graham, vice-president of the Chandler Motor Car Company, issued today, quotes the following outstanding points made by Mr. Chandler in a recent address before the tenth annual conference on highway engineering at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor:

1. Take away the cars of the careless drivers;  
2. Punish the reckless and intoxicated operators until they recognize the rights of the great majority of law-abiding and careful motorists;  
3. Investigation of accident-causes—in which newspapers throughout the country are now co-operating—will point the way for proper remedies;  
4. Safety education in the schools;  
5. Thorough analysis of traffic movement; regulations and facilities is needed in each city;  
6. The automobile industry will spare no effort in its endeavor to bring about increased traffic safety.

## SMALLER SCHOOL BOARD DEFENDED

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 5 (Special).—Dr. George D. Strayer, director of the bureau of educational research of Columbia University, who is engaged in making a survey of the educational system of the city, defended the bill which he had recommended for a new administrative school body at a dinner of the Lions Club yesterday. Dr. Strayer said the bill, which abolishes a committee of 33 and substitutes a non-partisan committee of seven, has no consideration of partisan political influences.

Dr. Strayer, answering critics of the bill, said he acted as the special City Council committee had asked him to act and he resented the intimation that he had been influenced by any motives but to gain the greatest amount of efficiency. While he mentioned no names he, as a matter of fact, answered the criticism of council president William H. Schofield, who has argued for delay in accepting the bill.

## BOSTON TO HAVE LABOR BANK

The Massachusetts State Board of Bank Incorporation has granted a charter to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' Trust Company, which is to operate the first labor bank in Boston. Capital is \$500,000 and the bank will occupy the quarters of the old Cosmopolitan Trust Company.

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## NEW HAVEN ROAD DEFENDS ADVANCE

Commutation Rates Hearing in Connecticut Opens

HARTFORD, Conn., March 4.—That commutation rates in effect prior to Feb. 15 on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad were discriminatory in Connecticut, as compared with rates in Rhode Island and Massachusetts, and in some cases in the intra-state traffic, and that they failed to provide sufficient revenue to the road, were the main contentions of Charles M. Sheafe Jr. of New York, general solicitor for the road, at a hearing for protesting commuters before the Public Utilities Board here yesterday.

Mr. Sheafe said that his witnesses would produce evidence proving these contentions and showing standard, state-wide commutation rates per mile. Evidence was submitted by the road, intending to show that commuters never have paid a fair proportion of the revenue when the expense of service to them is considered.

Mr. Campbell, vice-president in charge of traffic, said that from 1910 to 1922 there was an increase of approximately 5,000,000 in the total number of passengers of all classes carried; an increase of 13,000,000 commuters and a decrease of 10,000,000 in local passengers.

Mr. Campbell added that the service required to carry commuters increased more than 10 per cent from 1910 to 1922, while the amount of revenue from commuters increased less than 3 per cent. The per cent of increase of number of commuters carried was almost 113.

The hearing was adjourned to March 18.

## EXPORTERS PROTEST GRAIN LOADING RULES

Edward M. Hagarty, Boston freight traffic manager of the Cunard Line and chairman of the committee on rules of the steamship freight conference, governing the loading of grain on vessels at North Atlantic ports, together with J. J. McLaughlin, freight traffic manager of the International Mercantile Marine Company, in Boston, is attending a special meeting of the North Atlantic, United Kingdom and Continental Freight Conference at New York today.

Regulations for loading grain for export, recently drawn up, aroused Boston grain shippers to protest. The shippers will consider Boston shippers' recommendations.

The rules were to have become effective March 1, but were postponed until March 15. The action followed a meeting of the transportation committee of the maritime association of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

## HARVARD TO OPEN VOCATIONAL SERIES

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## DE MOLAY DECLARED MANHOOD SCHOOL

Makes "Religion Attractive to Youth"—Fosters "Respect for Parents"—Deputies Named

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 5 (Special)—Youth of today is looking to its elders for counsel, guidance and ideals, and the future of America and the world will be shaped by the type of leadership that is afforded the boy. So declared speakers at sessions here of the Grand Council of the Order of De Molay which will close here tonight. Next year's meeting will be held in San Francisco.

"The fundamental idea of boyhood is faith—faith in humanity, faith in itself and in the future," said John H. Glasier, New York City, Grand Master, "and unless we men who are to counsel youth have faith in over-achieving qualities we are not getting down into the essentialities of boyhood." Mr. Glasier continued:

What a tremendous amount of faith it takes in this era of the United States of America. Many of our representatives in Government seem committed to display of political advantage rather than patriotism and a desire to serve their country.

If we leaders of youth are going to keep a steady head and our feet on the pathway of patriotic endeavor, we must have faith that hereafter, marching behind us, the boyhood of today, the men of tomorrow, will carry the flag and carry the principles of this Government without being smothered and stained. And we must shape the optimism of youth.

This order gives us a wonderful opportunity just to be boys again, full of faith, optimism, integrity. Unless we live right and think right we are going to put into the minds of those boys, unconsciously but definitely, things they should not know and things we would be ashamed to acknowledge. The need today is the humble and contrite heart, not the ability to make money.

Loyalty of the 125,000 boy members of the Order of De Molay was praised by Judge Alexander G. Cochran of St. Louis, who stressed the heavy obligation of the members of the Grand Council to remain true to their trust, reciprocating the loyalty of youth.

Edgar Powers, Catonsville, Md., Grand Chaplain, made this statement: The Order of De Molay takes a boy at a critical period of his life, just as he is passing the Boy Scout age, and guides him until he has reached maturity.

The years from 16 to 21 are the period when the boy begins to grow away from home and the church. The Order of De Molay is not affiliated directly with the church, but it teaches Christian ethics and seeks to make religion attractive to youth. It also seeks to develop in him greater love and respect for parents and home life.

Zoro D. Clark, Omaha, Neb., Grand Second Preceptor, reported his observations on recent visits to 78 De Molay chapters in 17 states. He said there was a growing interest among boys in work of the order, and recommended strengthening of the Advisory Council for greater service to the youthful members.

A plan was approved to hold regional athletic meets to select De Molay competitors for places on American teams entering the Olympics at Paris next July. This work is to be directed by J. Howard Berry of Philadelphia, formerly athlete at the University of Pennsylvania.

Additional life members elected to the Grand Council to serve as deputies in their respective states follow:

Ernest A. Reed, Newark, N. J.; G. Elmer Wilbur, Jacksonville, Fla.; William J. Kerr, president State Agricultural College, Columbia, Mo.; Francis S. King, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Melvin M. Johnson, Boston, Mass.

## FORESTRY SCHOOL BUILDERS PLAN TO TRANSPLANT TREES

SEATTLE, Feb. 21 (Special Correspondence)—Fifty thousand trees on the campus of the University of Washington, in this city, will have to be removed to make place for the new building of the school of forestry, the money for which has been donated by Mrs. Arnes H. Anderson of Seattle, in memory of her husband, a pioneer lumberman of the Pacific Northwest.

The project is neither so large nor so destructive an undertaking as the number of trees might suggest; for they comprise a sort of conifer nursery, and are all little whips of seedlings. Many of them were brought from native forest, while others came from distant parts of the world. All will be transplanted to other locations on the campus.

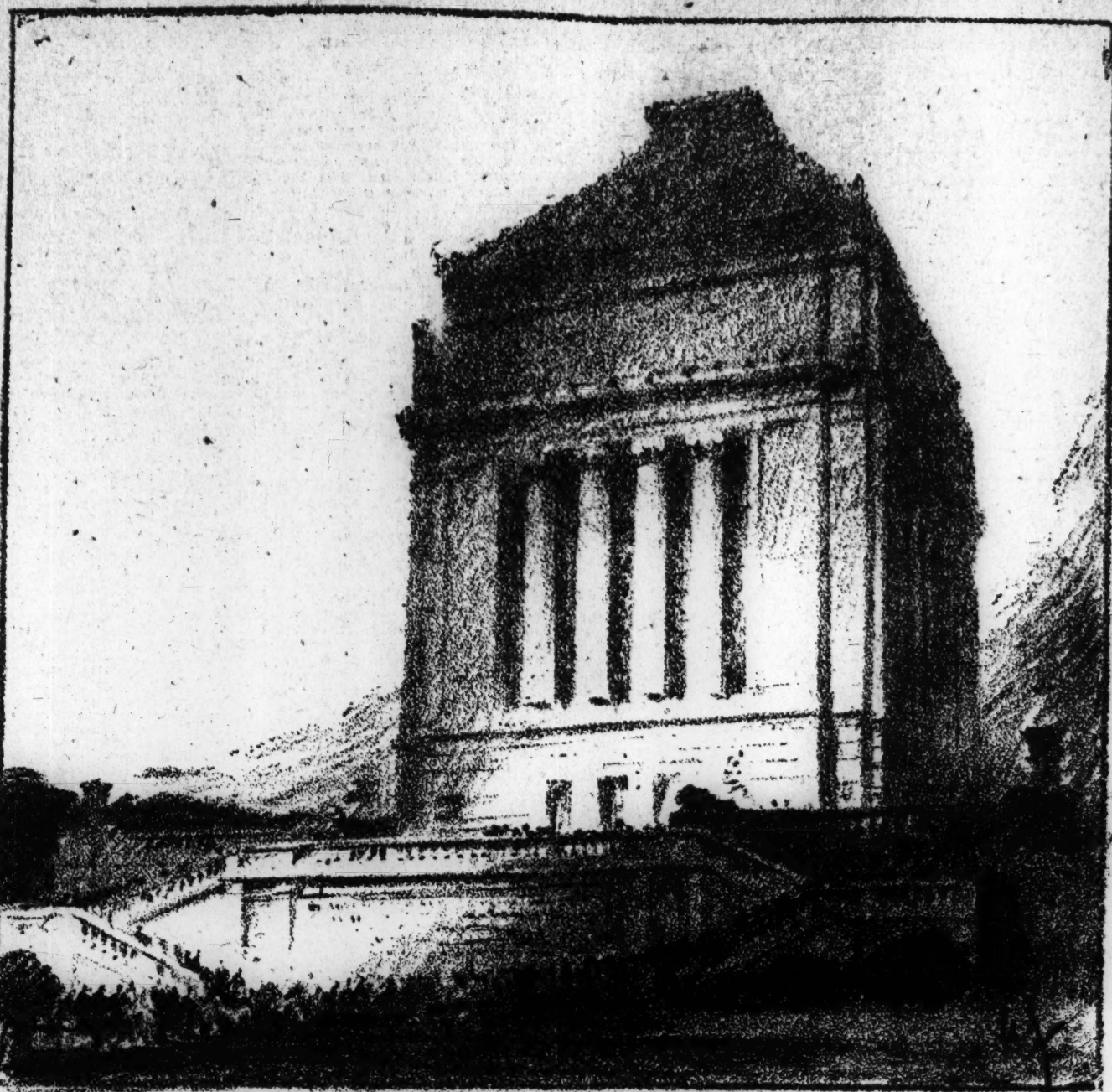
At one side of the building site is an abrupt slope, on which the better native growth has been conserved carefully. It is planned to intersperse this growth with many of the seedlings, creating a mountainside forest in miniature, and here also will be set numerous little pools to resemble mountain lakes. The students of the school of forestry are to build a tiny, but entirely practical, sawmill, where the cutting of waste silvers will illustrate the larger operations of the northwest industry.

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## LITHUANIA TO MINT ITS OWN COINAGE

Face and Intrinsic Value of Gold Currency to Be Identical

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Special Correspondence)—Lithuania, the southernmost of the new Baltic states, which arose from the ruins of the old Tsarist Russia, hopes to have a gold coinage at an early date. It was stated recently by the Lithuanian Minister of Finance as quoted by the Kaunas (Kovno) newspaper, Echo.

The gold coins it is proposed to issue are of 25 litas and 50 litas—nominally \$2.50 and \$5.00 respectively. In addition there will be silver coins of 1, 2, 5 and 10 litas (10, 20, 50 cents and \$1) and yellow-colored copper-aluminum coins for smaller denominations.

With regard to the last, the reason for choosing the copper-aluminum alloy is that a pressure of 600 atmospheres is required for minting the coins, thus making the task of counterfeiting them quite impracticable. The intrinsic value of these coins will be 50 per cent of their face value, and of the silver coins 60 per cent of their face value. They are to be legal tender up to 50 litas and 100 litas respectively, and their quantity will be regulated according to the number of the population. The volume of the gold coinage when it arrives, is to be unlimited, and its face and intrinsic values will be identical.

It is hoped that the copper-aluminum coins will be in circulation before the end of the summer, and provision has been made for them in the current budget. The date of issuing the silver and gold coins, on the other hand, has not yet been definitely decided and considerable doubt is felt here regarding the practicability of introducing a gold coinage at the present time.

It is thought that the debased currencies in other countries would have

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the effect of causing a demand for the gold coins outside the limits of Lithuania and that this would tend ultimately to drive the gold from circulation by placing too great a strain on the financial resources of the Lithuanian State Bank, which would be responsible for issuing these coins. The Lithuanian experiment therefore, if and when it materializes, will be watched with very great interest by financial authorities in this and indeed most European countries.

## PORTUGUESE INDIA COMBATS ILLITERACY

BOMBAY, Feb. 4 (Special Correspondence)—The people of Goa, the principal Portuguese possession in India, obviously influenced by the activities of the people of British India, held their first congress at Quezela recently, under the presidency of Pottu Quenora. The congress was attended by delegates and visitors from all parts of Goa, among those present being the Prince of Sundem, the administrator of the district, the district judge, and other high officials.

The congress passed a resolution urging Government to combat illiteracy, to increase the number of primary schools and introduce into them vernacular, in place of Portuguese, as the medium of expression. Other resolutions were to the effect that Government be requested to put into force the proposal adopted by the legislature to grant the franchise, without restriction, to all who could read and write in any language in the territory; also to restrict gradually, till completely abolished, the distillation, sale, and use of alcoholic beverages.

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## SWEDEN'S COMMERCE EXPERIENCED FALL DURING YEAR 1923

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 18 (Special Correspondence)—The official statistics show a reversal of Sweden's commercial balance as compared with the preceding year. The surplus of \$9,000,000 kroner of 1922 having been transformed into a deficit of 206,000,000 kroner for 1923. The imports and exports of the two years were respectively 1,114,160,000 kroner and 1,153,710,000 kroner and for 1923, 1,342,260,000 kroner and 1,135,790,000.

Conditions tended toward the end of the year, as had to some extent been anticipated, the month of December in fact showing a surplus of some 16,000,000 kroner. The growth in the imports center upon grain and coal, but there is also an increase under various other heads. The value of imported grain rose from 60,120,000 kroner for 1922 to 108,760,000 kroner for 1923 and that of minerals, etc., from 147,880,000 kroner in 1922 to 181,560,000 in 1923.

The export of minerals, that is principally iron ore, rose from 87,590,000 kroner to 92,820,000 kroner in 1923. The exports of sawed timber, etc., and wood pulp, paper, etc., were respectively 273,960,000 kroner and 314,400,000 kroner for 1922 and 276,550,000 kroner and 311,610,000 kroner for 1923.

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**ALEPPO HAS NEW GOVERNOR**  
BEIRUT, Syria, Feb. 14 (Special Correspondence)—Mustapha Bey Barnada, Governor of Aleppo, some time ago, handed in his resignation to the High Commissioner, General Weygand, and recently accepted his resignation, and has designated as his successor Mourry Fasha El-Mollan.

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## INDIANA CITIZENS PLAN SHRINE TO COMMEMORATE WAR SERVICE

City, County and State Join in \$8,000,000 Civic Plaza Project—Marshal Foch Broke Ground in 1921

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 1 (Special Correspondence)—As a memorial to Indiana's citizens who served in the World War, five city blocks edging Indianapolis' business center are to be transformed into a civic plaza setting off an ornate shrine and two other buildings, one of which will house the national headquarters of the American Legion. The project as now planned will cost approximately \$8,000,000, according to the state board of trustees of the Indiana World War Memorial.

Marshal Foch, French generalissimo, broke ground for the plaza Nov. 4, 1921, while on his American tour, and presented a stone from the bridge at Chateau Thierry to be used in building the memorial. Construction will begin on one building this spring. It is expected. The plaza will be a block wide, the shrine being the central feature. This shrine will be constructed probably of Bedford limestone taken from quarries in southern Indiana. The design is to harmonize with the Riller Public Library, a Grecian structure facing the plaza from the north and with the United States postoffice on the south.

The shrine and the two utilitarian buildings will be the only structures on the plaza, save two Protestant churches, which will be allowed to remain as symbolical of the religious aspirations of the men. The two new buildings, to cost \$250,000 each, will be located in St. Claire Park, nearest the library, and will face on Pennsylvania and Meridian streets, respectively. The base of the shrine probably will be occupied by the Indiana Historical Commission as a museum and library. There also will be a chamber with seating capacity of 600 or 700 people.

The design is being perfected by the firm of Walker & Weeks, Cleveland, O., named last spring, by the jury of award, as winner of first prize in the competition for architects. This firm is to receive \$120,000 for plans and supervisory functions.

A block east from the memorial plaza, and to the south of the post office, stands a 285-foot shaft erected by the firm of Walker & Weeks, Cleveland, O., named last spring, by the jury of award, as winner of first prize in the competition for architects. This firm is to receive \$120,000 for plans and supervisory functions.

The Indianapolis Athletic Club and the Elks' Lodge each have built large clubhouses overlooking the parks, a new office building has been erected, and the Scottish Rite Masons have purchased land for a large temple and clubhouse.

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## Twilight Tales

### The Surprise Bed

THIS was the longest journey that David had ever taken. He had, of course, traveled with his father and mother when they all went to the sea shore, but then they only stayed in the train for a few hours. This time they had been in the train all day. Daddy had brought Mummy and him to the station quite early in the morning, after a very scrambley breakfast. They were going to visit Granny, who lived so many miles away that David had never seen her. Most of the day he had gazed with wondering eyes out of the window. There were so many interesting things to see. Picture after picture unfolded before him, but the train went so fast that he never had time to see as much as he wanted. It was rather like looking at a book with his cousin Peggy who always turned the pages far too quickly.

At one place the railroad ran beside a field where a boy was chasing a pony. David wished so much that the train would have waited long enough for him to see if the boy captured the runaway.

Then as they passed over a creek he caught sight of some children trying to launch a boat. It would have been great fun to watch them a little longer.

Mummy told David that he was going to sleep on the train. He had just seen the big red sun disappear behind the trees, so he knew that it must be getting very near his own bedtime too. He began to look around for some place where his mother might possibly put him to sleep.

"Am I going to sleep in a bed, Mummy?" he asked.

His mother smiled and told him that he was.

"Where is it, then?" he said.

"Right here, close beside us," answered his mother, smiling again.

David, who is only a little boy, looked very puzzled. "Is it a sort of game?" he asked. "Do I have to guess, like in 'Hunt the thimble,' and will you tell me if I'm getting hot?"

"You certainly are not cold," was the reply.

At this moment along came a big, jolly-looking colored man. He asked David's mother if the little boy was ready to go to bed. David answered the question himself. He said he was quite ready. You see, he was curious to know just where his bed was.

When his mother explained why David seemed so unusually anxious for bed-time, the big colored man gave a big, jolly laugh that sounded so exactly like he looked that if you had your back turned toward him or your eyes closed, you would have known just where that laugh came from without being told.

"Ho, ho, ho," he chuckled. "Big Joe am got da cosiest, snuggest bed tucked away here."

David opened his eyes very wide

indeed when what looked like a large cupboard was disclosed right over where he had been sitting. Out came blankets and pillows in the most astonishing way, and from an unsuspected corner clean sheets and pillow cases were produced.

David felt that Joe was a person to be watched very closely. He remembered a most extraordinary gentleman who had entertained all the children at Peggy's party. He had produced all sorts of things from apparently nowhere. A real, live rabbit had come out of his silk hat and a watch, which David was quite sure he

had seen him swallow, was a little later extracted from Peggy's shoe. Joe seemed so friendly that David decided to put the question, "Have you any rabbits here?" he asked politely. Joe looked slightly puzzled but replied that he had not.

David decided to try again. "Maybe you could swallow something," he said hopefully. "Peggy isn't here but I could lend you one of my shoes," he added in his most obliging manner.

The big man looked even more puzzled. Then Mummy, who generally seems to understand what small boys are thinking about, came to the rescue. She explained that beds were the only things Joe kept hidden away.

David was just a wee bit disappointed at first but when a step ladder was placed so that he could climb up and peep inside the green curtains he clapped his hands and almost shouted with glee, for there was the cosiest little bed imaginable.

Later when he was all tucked up and his mother was kissing him good-night, he whispered that he would rather sleep on a train than anywhere else, and then added "I just love my surprise bed."

## INDIANS ENJOY HOSTEL IN LONDON

Have New Permanent Home Near University College

Special from Monitor Bureau

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The work that the Indian Christian community did for their fellow countrymen in Europe during the war was not allowed to lapse. Four years ago it was put on a permanent basis by the establishment in London, under the control of the Indian Y. M. C. A., of a hostel for Indian students. Until last autumn this was housed in the Shakespeare Hut, on the site of which, however, the new Rockefeller Research Building is now being begun. The Indian students, therefore, celebrated their fourth annual meeting in their new permanent home next to University College.

Lord Ronaldshay, the ex-Governor of Bengal, speaking on that occasion, pleading for a full co-operation of the two great races living in India. "India

is at the crossroads," he said, "not only politically, but far more fundamentally in cultural and spiritual matters." One hundred years ago the educated classes had been tempted to follow exclusively the western road of learning. Now there had come a reaction. To follow the first would make India a mere mimic—a mimic without a soul. The other would lead to stagnation and decay.

"The great task of statesmanship today," he asserted, "is to hold the education scale in India equal between two opposing influences, and thus to weave into the pattern of the eastern loom some threads of the spindles of the west which would enrich without altering that pattern."

During the last four years no fewer than 1699 members have, during their stay in England, made the hostel their headquarters. Not only has it been a center where Indians and English mix, but, as the chairman, Edwyn Bevan, pointed out at the annual gathering, many of them had got to know more about their own country of India through meeting others, from various parts of the great land, in the hostel.

## News of Freemasonry

Eastern Hemisphere

By DUDLEY WRIGHT

Special from Monitor Bureau

LONDON, Feb. 15.—THE outcome of a resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge of New South Wales, on the motion of the Grand Master, William Thompson, any candidate for initiation will, in future, be requested to sign the following declaration: "I declare that I will seek no degrees in any way appertaining to Freemasonry until a period of at least 12 months shall have elapsed from the date of my receiving the third or Master Mason's degree." This Grand Lodge has donated £250 for the relief of Freemasons and their dependents in Japan and £50 to the Salvation Army in New South Wales.

Viscount Jellicoe, Grand Master of New Zealand, addressing the members of his jurisdiction recently, said:

It is satisfactory to know that the increase in Masonic membership is not confined to New Zealand, but is general, particularly among the English-speaking nations, for the wider spread are the principles which we are bound, the greater is the influence exerted for the fraternal spirit and peace among the nations. The membership of the craft in New Zealand is approximately one in 60 per head of population. The figures for the other dominions are: Australia, one in 45; Canada, one in 55. In the United States, where Freemasonry has a considerable hold, the figures are approximately one per 110 of the population, and in Great Britain one per 120. Provided always that actual numbers are significant also of the real practice of the tenets of the Craft, New Zealand holds a strong position, of which the brethren may be proud.

I should like, with all diffidence, to draw the attention of the brethren to the desirability of Masonic study, and to the work achieved by the Lodge of Research. I say "with diffidence," because I am conscious of my own failings in this direction, although I fully appreciate the necessity for and the value of such study, to which we are exhorted in the charge after initiation. But of still greater importance than profound knowledge of the hidden meanings and teachings of Freemasonry is the practice in our daily lives of the guiding tenets which we profess. He who does so successfully is indeed worthy of the name of Freemason—he becomes a strong influence for good and acts as an example to his fellowmen, which, if followed, will make for the common welfare and the happiness of mankind.

Forty years ago Earl Haig was initiated into Freemasonry. Almost immediately he was called away upon active service and a succession of duties prevented him from proceeding further with the work. A short time ago he took advantage of an opportunity accorded him while on a visit to the Earl of Elgin, Grand Master Mason of Scotland and received the second degree in Elgin's Lodge, Leven.

It is only occasionally that it is possible to ascertain some of the ramifications of Masonic benevolence outside the three central institutions. The annual meeting of the East Lancashire Benevolent Institution has, however, just been held, when it was announced that £16,555 had been contributed locally by Freemasons during the year, a result which can only be regarded as gratifying when consideration is paid to the fact that at the present time many are compelled to expend their capital in order to live. Nearly £80,000 has been subscribed to this institution during the past four years. In addition the members of this province are finding the large sum of money necessary for the erection of a new Masonic temple and provincial offices, the cornerstone of which will, it is hoped, be laid toward the end of the coming summer.

In accordance with a wish expressed by the Duke of Connaught, as First Grand Principal, a new rank has been created in Royal Arch Masonry which will be known as London Chapter Rank, on lines similar to the London Rank created in the Blue Lodges some 15 years ago. The rule for the new creation reads as follows: "The First Grand Principal annually may confer, for long and meritorious service, upon past first principals of London Chapters, to a number not exceeding one for every complete four London chapters then on the register of Supreme Grand Chapter, the right to wear during the First Grand Principal's pleasure a distinctive jewel, collar, and apron, which may be worn at all Royal Arch Masonic meetings with the designation of London Chapter Rank." This rank will be equivalent to provincial or district rank. It has also been decided that during the present year the First Grand Principal may confer this rank upon qualified members to the number of 150. At the same time, permission was granted for the constitution of 12 new chapters, as follows: London, two; Wallasey, two; Rochester, Liverpool, Lichfield, Hanley, Halesworth, Newhaven, Buenos Aires, and Bagdad, one each.

An official statement from Freemasons' Hall shows that the promised subscriptions toward the cost of erecting the Masonic Peace Memorial Building now exceed £475,000, or nearly one-half of the sum aimed at in the appeal issued by the Grand Master. This may be regarded as fairly satisfactory. London lodges occupy the premier position, nearly 50 per cent having qualified as Hall Stone Lodges—to be precise 408 out of a possible 909—and the total London promises amount to more than half the sum announced, viz., £297,500. In addition, 380 London lodges are contributing to the fund, leaving 141 lodges making no response to the appeal which the Grand Master has made.

The results of the recent Cambridge local examinations, which have just been announced, are highly satisfactory, so far as the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls is concerned. Forty-one pupils entered—17 in the senior and 24 in the junior. Sixteen passed in the senior division, four with honors, and four gained distinctions. All the junior entrants passed, five gaining honors and eight winning distinctions. But these cold figures become more impressive when one reads that the total number of girls entered in England was 2199, of whom only 1256 passed, or a fraction over 57 per cent, whereas the percentage of successes of the pupils of the Masonic Girls' School is more than 97. During the last three years the average proportion of successful girls throughout the country has been 54 per cent, while 228 girls from the institution have passed, out of 231 entered.

## DANES DISSATISFIED WITH GREENLAND PACT

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 20 (Special Correspondence).—A number of eminent and distinguished Danish explorers of Greenland have handed to the Rigsdag a long and reasoned protest against the agreement which was the outcome of the Danish-Norwegian conference.

Mr. Christensen, former Danish Prime Minister and chairman of the Danish delegation, has published a reply to the first of these protests, in which he defends the agreement as the best obtainable result, although admitting that it is not and could not be ideal from a Danish point of view. The above protests are not likely to influence the position taken up by the Government in the matter.



Reading Room, Bibliothèque Ste. Geneviève

## The Library

The Bibliothèque Ste. Geneviève

"ISN'T this the most beautiful square in the world?" said an American tourist to the Wanderer as he stood on the steps of the Boston Public Library.

"This library building is copied from one which stands in a world-famous square," replied the Wanderer, who did not wish to disparage the merits of Copley-Square.

"I don't know anything about French squares," said the American tourist, "but this one suits me fine." This brief conversation came back to the Wanderer as he stood in front of the Bibliothèque Ste. Geneviève in Paris. He had come upon the Place Ste. Geneviève unexpectedly and as he caught sight of the Bibliothèque he involuntarily closed his eyes, opening them with a gasp of astonishment.

"For a moment," he said to his companion, "I thought I was seeing the Boston Public Library."

He was glad he had not misinformed the American tourist with regard to the interesting nature of the square. There, within a stone's throw of one another, were the Bibliothèque, the Church of St. Etienne du Mont and the Pantheon.

The Wanderer stepped into the Pantheon to see the pictured story of the saint whose name the library bears. Here again he felt as if he were looking at the decorations by Puvis de Chavannes in the Boston Public Library. It is not that any of the figures are actually duplicated in the Boston decorations. Puvis is too great a painter to copy his own creations, but all his decorative paintings are pervaded with a refined delicacy of feeling and a softness of color which stamps his work in whatever part of the world it is found.

Leaving the Pantheon the Wanderer crossed the square and entered the library. The concierge, whose office is just inside the door, took the Wanderer's letter of introduction, and disappeared for a few moments to return with Callot of the catalog department.

"I shall be glad to show you the library," said he in excellent English, and at once conducted the Wanderer into a small office, saying, "We will begin at the catalog room." The process of cataloging as he explained it, seemed a bit unusual, as the books are all actually sorted into their respective classes before being cataloged. Adjoining is the book stack. The shelves which extend from the floor almost to the ceiling

are five feet apart. Cross alleys have been made by providing square openings in the ranges.

"We receive automatically," said Franz Callot, "one copy of every book printed in France, and with the funds at our disposal we try to get every modern book in the fields of law, philosophy and technology."

Mr. Callot lamented the limited space devoted to book shelves, which are fast becoming overcrowded, and also the lack of funds for carrying on the work. He did not give the present budget, but said that before the war it was 109,000 francs, of which 76,400 was allotted to personal service. At the present time there are 10 librarians and 15 guards.

### Exhibition of Incunabula

Across the lobby from the catalog room are the exhibition rooms where one exhibit is arranged each year. "This year," said Mr. Callot, "it is illustrated books of the fifteenth century." An attractive illustrated catalog of the exhibition explains in its foreword that the period during which these incunabula were printed (1450 to 1500) is of especial interest, as a transitional epoch, which had as its starting point the illuminated manuscript, and as its end the printed book, illustrated with wood engravings.

Between the manuscripts and the printed books of the same period there is little difference in appearance. At first sight the printed words imitate exactly the written words, the text is arranged on the page in a similar manner, and the illustrations are drawn and colored by hand.

Little by little the wood engravings, under the name of "xylography," improved and became popular, though readers still missed the beautiful color of the miniatures in the hand-illuminated books. It was, therefore, necessary for the wood engravers to improve their workmanship, which reached a high degree of perfection during the last quarter of the fifteenth century in Italy, France, Germany and the Netherlands.

Books of each of these countries, arranged chronologically, were on exhibition. Among the Italian works of special interest was a 1481 edition of the Divine Comedy, with illustrations by Baccio Baldini after Sandro Botticelli. Among the French works was a 1496 folio of the Romance of the Rose.

The Wanderer found it difficult to tear himself away from this charming collection, which he enjoyed as a child enjoys his picture books, with no thought of their bibliographic significance as rare incunabula.

### Recalling Bates Hall

The great reading room on the second floor, which has seats for 420 readers, extends the entire length of the building and reminds one of Bates Hall in the Boston Public Library. The walls are lined with books and the central space is occupied by reading tables, at which men and women were busily working over piles of books and papers. The card catalog is in excellent shape, and authors, titles and subjects can be easily found in it.

The call-slip for the book is given to a messenger, who takes the person desiring the book to the place where it is kept. Thus the person actually sees for himself whether a book is "in" or "out."

On a desk near the center of the hall the Wanderer noticed a blank book in which several of the readers

wrote on leaving the library. Mr. Callot explained that when a reader wanted a book which he could not find in the library, he wrote his request in this book and one of the "librarians" answered his question by stating whether or not the book could be found in Paris and, if so, in what library.

The Wanderer, recalling the pile of work on Mr. Callot's desk, thanked him for the time he had so generously given, and went out into the sunlit square.

The next time he stood in front of the Boston Public Library, he found it had acquired for him, as sister to the Paris Library, a fascinating past which extended 14 centuries back to the time of Clovis and of Clotilda and Geneviève.

## ARAB KING RETICENT ON MANDATED LANDS

BEIRUT, Syria, Feb. 14 (Special Correspondence).—The local press says that King Hussein continues to receive delegations from Arab countries, even from some which have never had any other ties than religious affinities. Of these the Lebanon is an example.

The Réveil remarks that the King of the Hejaz speaks willingly on political, but his speeches are markedly prudent. He maintains a strict reserve on the affairs of countries under the British and French mandates, especially the latter, and when the Lebanon was mentioned to him, he declared vehemently he did not intend, by word or action, to interfere in Lebanese affairs.

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### WATER SOLD FOR \$29,368,000

HARRISBURG, March 1.—The 603 private and municipal water companies in Pennsylvania supplied approximately \$29,368,000 gallons of water to Pennsylvania in 1922, the results of a survey announced today by James F. Woodward, Secretary of Internal Affairs, showed receipts from the sale of this water amounted to \$29,368,757.

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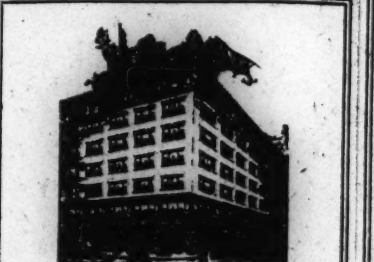
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## BOOK REVIEWS AND LITERARY NEWS

## The Follies of 1775

George III and the American Revolution

By Frank A. Mumsy, London: Constable, 1923, 21s. net.

This is peculiarly the case with regard to Canada and, in recent years, Egypt, India, and South Africa. The history of the War of Independence, which ended in the loss of America, reveals a tyranny as foolish as it was obstinate, all the more astonishing in that it was contrary to the traditions of the British people, and unrepresentative of them as a whole. On both sides there were great men who desired peace and justice and who hated violence. Severance from England was as far from the minds of the Colonists as from that of George III, when Grenville announced his proposed Stamp Act. That George III determined to allow no interference from his ministers, and constantly actuated, in great matters as in little, by the pettiest personal motives, should have succeeded in perpetrating so egregious a blunder, in a country which had centuries earlier dealt effectively with John and James the Stuarts, must always be a cause for astonishment. That the warning of such men of power, knowledge and eloquence as Pitt and Burke, who did not hesitate to tell the people the truth and to prophesy the inevitable result of the disastrous policy they were submitting to, should have remained unheeded, seems yet more incomprehensible.

## Historical Detachment

Of recent years, in England, there have been a number of distinguished writers who have sought not merely to relate this phase in British history with historical detachment, but have shown a whole-hearted willingness to recognize that the full responsibility for the conflict and the final severance between England and America lay, not with the colony, but with the Mother Country. On the pedestal of Burke's statue, unveiled in Washington in 1922, there are written these words, which, in fact, sum up the view of such historians as Messrs. Trevelyan, Green, Lord Morley, and Mr. Mumsy himself: "The War of Independence was virtually a second English Civil War. The ruin of the American cause would have been also the ruin of the cause in England. Burke's attitude in this great contest is that part of his history about the majesty and noble wisdom of which there can be least dispute."

"Things could not be otherwise," declared Burke, "than that Englishmen beyond the seas should claim the full rights of Englishmen." Mr. Mumsy in his first volume, which begins with the accession of George III and ends with the placing of the whole army raised for the defense of the American cause under the command of Washington, has contributed a volume of outstanding importance to this subject.

## Pitt's Responsibility

There was one man who could have saved England from the disaster toward which she was heading, through the autocracy of her King and his employment of second-rate public servants to do his bidding. And that man was Pitt. He possessed the confidence of the country—if he had given them a lead, it is safe to say they would have followed him anywhere. He perceived to an extent which, in those first beginnings of colonization, was truly extraordinary, what exactly should be the relations between the Mother Country and her dependencies. Not only had Pitt the breadth of vision and far-sighted wisdom of statesmanship, he possessed the power to inspire confidence in his colleagues. His ability was indeed not less conspicuous in vast undertakings than in his grasp of the merest details upon which were contingent their success. It has been customary wholly to blame George III and those who served him so ill during these years. Obstinate and vain as the King was, nevertheless it is not to be forgotten, and Mr. Mumsy lays careful emphasis upon it, that George III, not once but many times, endeavored to induce Pitt to return to the premiership. How absurd and unworthy appear today the

inquiries, jealousies and misunderstandings which prevented it. Finally Pitt, by then Earl of Chatham, did form a ministry, only to find himself practically useless to a Cabinet which he alone was capable of counseling and directing. Active in opposition, he had preached wisdom and buried thunderbolts of warning. In office he appeared incapable of bringing even a measure of relief to a grave situation.

Some of the finest statements ever uttered with regard to the right attitude of the Mother Country to her colonies and her colonies to the Mother Country came from Pitt both before and after his brief final tenure of the premiership, but during the premiership itself, the light burned so low that not even for those working nominally with him—indeed he scarcely saw them for weeks at a time—was the way illumined by the wisdom and experience he possessed so far beyond his fellows.

It would seem, in reviewing the events of those years, that exceptional qualities of statesmanship were not actually needed. Moderation, just dealing, the capacity to see the American as well as the English point of view, were requisite, but we might cite statesmen in almost any reign who would have been capable of exercising these qualities and so averting a conflict, which the policy of a Grenville and a North rendered inevitable. "The gentleman tells us," declared Pitt to the House of Commons in 1766, "that America is obstinate; America is almost in open rebellion. I rejoice that America has resisted. Three millions of people, so dead to all the feelings of liberty as voluntarily to submit to be slaves, would have been fit instruments to make slaves of the rest."

## Letters of Both Sides

It has been Mr. Mumsy's plan in these pages to allow "the leading actors in the drama to state their case as far as possible in their own words," and this on both sides of the Atlantic. Thus, side by side with letters from members of the English Government, and from such astute lookers-on as Lord Chesterfield and Horace Walpole, are letters from Samuel Adams and from Judge Gage in Boston, and from Washington in Philadelphia and at Mount Vernon. Luminous to a remarkable degree are the letters of Benjamin Franklin, who was for a time made the scapegoat of the trouble with the colony and, after a scurrilous attack, removed from his office of Deputy Postmaster-General for America. None saw more clearly than did Horace Walpole the significance of the action of the Bostonians, "who," he wrote in 1774, "have wanted 300 chests of tea into the ocean." A few months later Lord Chatham was writing to a friend: "Every step on the side of the Government seems calculated to drive the Americans into open resistance."

What Washington could still write in that year of the possibility of a humble and dutiful petition to the Throne, yet his determination to resist unjust taxation was inexorable. "Fate," writes Mr. Mumsy, in concluding his first volume, "was on the side of Liberty when she gave Wash-

ington to America. Had such a man been forthcoming to control the destiny of the motherland throughout that crisis, a very different story would have to be told of the whole subsequent history of the English-speaking race."

## Some Jottings Literary

A PERMANENT record of the Doll's House recently presented to Her Majesty the Queen of England is preserved in "The Book of the Doll's House," edited by A. C. Benson and Sir Lawrence Weaver and issued by Messrs. Methuen in a crown quarto two volume limited edition, although either volume may be obtained separately. The first volume is concerned with the house itself, describing the model building done in little to represent the kind of mansion in which the King and Queen of England might reside in 1924. Such an assemblage of masterpieces of minute workmanship in marble, silver, bronze, wood, lacquer, and paint never before has been seen. The second volume, "The Doll's House Library," is devoted entirely to that room. More than 270 authors have written in their own hands tiny books for the library, the majority of them being original for the occasion; the remainder are extracts from works already published which the authors have copied into the pages of the books have been reproduced in facsimile.

According to A. W. Pollard, keeper of printed books at the British Museum, of the 140 books entered 200 years ago at the Stationers' Register, the year in which the First Folio Shakespeare appeared, 118 have been traced. Of these 118 are in English libraries, the British Museum having 90, the Bodleian 20. The other is in the library of Mr. Huntington at San Gabriel, Calif.

The first comprehensive bibliography of the works of Lewis Carroll (Charles Lutwidge Dodgson) has been made by Sidney Herbert Williams. Part I contains 77 collations of the first and rare editions of books, pamphlets, and leaflets issued under his famous pseudonym. Part II describes books bearing his real name, principally mathematical. The third

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part lists contributions to periodicals, while the fourth is devoted to books about Lewis Carroll. Eight titles pages are reproduced, including the three which stirred the vexed question concerning the three earliest editions of "Alice in Wonderland."

Mrs. Charles H. Stout, the author of that valuable volume, "The Amateur's Book of the Dahlia," has offered through the Garden Magazine a prize of \$50 for the best new and original poem on the dahlia, submitted to that magazine before Oct. 1, 1924.

Houghton, Mifflin Company announce for spring publication "The Soul of Samuel Pepys" by Gamaliel Bradford. Its purpose is to construct from the Diary a portrait of the man.

Among the rarities recently offered for sale in London by Messrs. Hodgson & Co. was the First Edition of Shelley's "Adonais" with the stanzas in the poet's hand.

Doubleday, Page & Co. announce another narrative poem by Gene Stratton Porter. The first was "The Fire Bird."

Edna Ferber is now permanently at home in an apartment overlooking

Central Park West where she came after completing her last novel "So Big." "I never want to move again," she says. "They'll have to wheel old 'Gamma Ferber' out when they tear the building down."

Of particular interest just now is "The Oil Trusts and Anglo-American Relations" by E. H. Davenport and Sidney Russell Cooke, published by the Macmillan Company. The object of the book is to trace the influence of oil on the course of Anglo-American politics.

There is one thing that you may not have considered, says Houghton Mifflin Company, unless you yourself have written juveniles: That a good juvenile enjoys a longer popularity and a larger sale than does the ordinary novel. And in justification of this they bring forward some interesting and arresting figures. One hundred and ninety-one thousand books by Abbie Farwell Brown have been sold and their demand continues unabated. This may be explained, in part only, by the fact that adults remember books which they have enjoyed and so pass them along to another generation, to say nothing of re-reading them themselves. There seems little doubt that this pleasant fate will befall Miss Brown's books.

## The Baltimore Oriole

The Baltimore Oriole and a Biographer's Sketch of Audubon

By Raphael Semmes Payne, Baltimore: The Norman R. M. Thayer Co. \$1.

While all bird lovers are agreed that the Baltimore Oriole is one of our most charming summer visitors, not all would go so far as the author of this attractive little volume in proclaiming it the most fascinating lawn bird of America. Perhaps if other of our familiar birds had so enthusiastic a biographer, the question might be raised as to which is the most charming; at least there would be many candidates for the honor.

In the story of the Baltimore Oriole, which occupies more than half of the 55 pages, the author tells us that its name is derived from its dress of orange and black, the colors of Lord Baltimore, the founder of the Maryland colony. The author also describes his adventures with orioles in the springtime in Maryland, waxing eloquent over the many claims to excellence of this cheerful minstrel of orchard and roadside. He describes the extraordinary nest building process of this skillful weaver, and dilates upon Audubon's experiences with them. The author also repeats sev-

eral beautiful bits of verse on the Oriole, from one of which, by Denis McCarthy of Boston, a verse is worthy of repetition:

So the orioles are back,  
Clad in orange and in black,  
Bringing to our Northern eyes  
Something of the Southern skies:  
Bringing to us many a song  
That to softer scenes belong,  
Where the Southern airs are bland  
Blowing over Maryland!

The latter pages of the book are devoted to the brief biographical account of one of America's greatest ornithologists, John J. Audubon. Surely none has worked with greater zeal and none under more unfavorable circumstances than this enthusiastic naturalist. The author relates many interesting anecdotes of Audubon's life during his excursions into the wilderness of America, and of his visits among the notables of Europe, as well, many of whom became firm friends of the American ornithologist. Audubon's remarkable love of nature, his zeal and extraordinary enterprise, are set forth in a truly appealing style.

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## A CLASH OF MORAL CODES

ONLY by degrees, as Mrs. Bradley wound her last loops of wool and said, "Thank you, dear, and her hands would fold again in her lap, did it come to Alix that the dreadful thing was something that Captain Owen had done, and most of all to Maman.

"He had been with them; staying with them; three times; the cherished friend; and he had never told his family.

"She sat there, very still, and tried to think; and the picture that came to her was of Captain Owen, sitting on one side of the fire in the little salon in the Rue de Penthièvre, sitting as Giles now sat, looking across at Maman, who, her finger in the pages of a half-closed book, returned his gaze with a strange sadness.

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Anne Douglas Sedgwick, whose brilliant new novel, "The Little French Girl," is pronounced by critics as her best.

## A few outstanding contributions in the MARCH issue

- "WHITE APES" Fannie Hurst  
Only Fannie Hurst could have evolved this striking and powerful psychological study of a little schoolteacher, an "old maid," who loves and is loved by a lovely young pupil of twenty-one, more adept at football than history, equally unversed in the emotions which go into the making of their happiness and ultimate tragedy.
- "THE BUSINESS OF TAXATION" Secretary of the Treasury Mellon  
Whether you are in the \$10,000 a year class or under, or whether you are among the fortunate two hundred and fifty with incomes of three hundred thousand or more, the question of how much of this you should pay in the Government in taxes is of vital concern to you. The Secretary of the Treasury believes that taxation is a business and should be conducted on principles that insure the greatest economy and profit to the nation. He gives his own clear explanation of his plan in an exclusive article in the March FORUM.
- "WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH OUR INDIANS?" A Debate by Mary Austin and Flora Warren Seymour  
Is our Government a protection to our Indians? Will the Indian stand on his own feet or must we hold him up? Has the education and money given by the Government to the Indian been a hindrance or a help? Has the industrialization of the white man's civilization been substituted for the honest sturdy culture of the Red Man? Shall we really? Read this debate by authorities in the March issue of THE FORUM.
- "A SINGLE STAR MIND" Henry van Dyke  
Perhaps you will call the brief commentary contributed by Dr. Henry van Dyke an essay. In a most simple and direct style Dr. van Dyke draws a new picture of Woodrow Wilson, the man, and sums it up with:  
"He once said of himself, 'I have a single-track mind.' But he had many things with extraordinary efficiency. It would seem to me more true to say that Wilson had a single star mind. That star is the hope of peace on earth."
- "BRITISH FOREIGN POLICY" Norman Angell  
The author of "The Great Illusion" gives an illuminating picture of what is likely to happen now that the Labor Party has the upper hand in England.
- "RECOLLECTIONS OF CHEKHOV" Constantin Stanislavsky  
Here are intimate glimpses of Anton Chekhov at the time of the Moscow Players' visit to the Crimea in the first flush of the triumph of the Moscow Art Theatre 23 years ago. Here also you will meet Maxim Gorky and many other writers whose fame has since spread beyond Russia.
- "THE WASTED TREASURE" Guglielmo Ferrero  
Was militarism slain by the war of 1914? Is Europe effectively disarmed? Will the military system ever recur? These are but a few of the questions raised by Dr. Ferrero in the March FORUM.
- "CITIZENS OF HEAVEN" Witter Bynner  
This American poet, who has made a hobby of studying and translating Chinese poetry, comments upon our unaccountable lack of curiosity about the vast unexplored culture of the Orient.
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WINDSOR, Ont., Feb. 21 (Special Correspondence). The international employment claimed 99 out of 100 land satisfactory

Gov. A. E. Groesbeck of the State of Michigan, asked to comment on the migration of Canadians, stated he was aware of the great number that had entered the United States at Detroit, and continued: "We here in Michigan are well acquainted with the Canadians and to try to keep them in the State because they make excellent citizens. Why they are leaving Canada is a question which Canada, of course, must answer for herself. I conceive it to be the primary duty of a government to give all citizens the highest work. I am told that Canadian industry at the present time cannot absorb all the potential workers in the country and that is probably the reason for the exodus. It has been our aim in this country to pro-

During the last x months of 1923, some 24,788 young Canadians, intent upon making their future homes in the United States, crossed the international border at this point and were registered at Detroit. J. T. Short, director of the United States Department of Immigration at Detroit, estimates that this probably represents less than one-half the actual number of those who entered the United States at that port, since to escape the head tax of \$8, only comparatively few of the entrants declare their intention of becoming United States

The extent of the "leak" in Canada's population is based upon this estimate in the following manner: For the half year, 50,000 left Canada at this point. For the year the total would be 100,000. Mr. Short and his associates believe the number entering the United States for residence at other border ports would be less than twice this number, so that the grand total for the year would be 300,000, and it is declared this is a conservative estimate.

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## THE PAGE OF THE SEVEN ARTS

## A Jewish Art Exhibit

Philadelphia, Feb. 23. Special Correspondence. THE value of art in the cultural development of the masses is once more stressed in the display of work in all media by Jewish artists of Philadelphia and New York in the long gallery of the Hebrew Literature Society, 116 Catherine Street. Here men and women, congregated to read, to listen, or to meditate.

The exhibition is marked by the serious aesthetic urge. One feels the strength of art which radiates sincerity. F. C. Kirk has employed still life as an exercise in technique. Luxuriant studies of lilies, of autumn leaves and berries, of chrysanthemums, and rich bric-a-brac are so molded in composition that they achieve a brilliant and satisfying effect. The canvas is filled in every inch with clear, pure color. The rich clarity of pigment thus obtained is sustained in Kirk's Russian landscapes, the result of a year spent in his homeland of Ukraine. "Ukraine, Winter," reveals the clear, cold, bluish light of a wintry day, with a little cottage low set under its protective thatch, while beyond the bluish hills lie the quiet sheltered houses. The entire conception is original and creative, stimulating the mind as well as attracting the eye.

This same intellectual quality coupled with emotion may be traced in the character studies of Jewish types by Morris J. Kallman, Samuel Salko, and in the wild, untamed portraits by Joel Levitt. These are not still-life renderings, as are those by Ben Soloway and H. Francis Criss, but the spontaneous interpretations of deep racial pathos as revealed in human forms. The old legends of Kallman and Auerbach Levy are types, but so are the men they portray.

Abraham Maniowitz, the Russian artist, creates in color patterns, improvising upon nature without reproducing it. Yet there are times when he falls in point of taste. One may find a mosaic of exotic colors symbolizing a park, but marred by the intrusion of two materialistic perambulators.

There are echoes of various art theories, American and European, with the inevitable imitative trend of the younger



"Ukraine, Winter." From Painting by F. C. Kirk In the Philadelphia Exhibition by Jewish Artists

workers. Sculpture, black and white, and water colors lend variety to the exhibition. Among those contributing to its success are S. Wachtel, J. D. Grossman, William Schulhoff, Baruch Feldman, Alexander Portnoff, H. A. Gerson, I. Lichtenstein, Lazar Raditz, Albert Rosenthal, S. Pinson, Albert Kinter, Jr., J. Balkoff, H. Blau, Isaac Reinkoff, E. M. Grossman and Samuel Heller. European and African sketches made

by members of the Sketch Club comprise the most interesting exhibit held by that club during the current season. In these little sketches one may feel the individual reaction of each painter to the world before him. Four—Robert Riggs, Paul Gill, Yarnall Abbott, and E. C. Clark—have brought back glimpses of the African coast, while A. V. Greene, D. E. Trogon, N. G. Rudolph, and John H. Peirce call and inspiration in France and Italy.

Robert Riggs places emphasis upon composition, upon the modeling of form and bodily action through the deft

## Philadelphia Civic Opera Makes Good Beginning

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27 (Special Correspondence).—The Philadelphia Civic Opera Company made a laudable beginning with its conservative choice of "Carmen," and followed the initial success with performances of "Alfio," "Cavalleria," and "Pagliacci." This company was formed a few months ago on the respectable wreckage of the Philadelphia Operatic Society, with the design of establishing each case through the participation of professional veterans, and letting local singers work a passage from the lesser to the greater roles and gain valuable experience. The performance of the opening night was an object lesson in the new company's methods and purposes.

Marguerite Sylva, an admirable exponent of Carmen's tropic temperament, had the name part, and sang the familiar airs with the abandon the rôle demands. Mme. Sylva brought to the impersonation the challenging vitality needed to translate the mere picture into a warm and throbbing interpretation, though at times a flatted note was a minor blemish, and once in a while she was rather too studied and self-conscious to appear spontaneous. But she had to carry the lioness' share of the proceedings, and with a chorus of four score amateurs and brief opportunity for rehearsal with the orchestra the wonder is that she achieved so convincing a portrayal. In place of Riccardo Martin, Ralph Errolle appeared as Don José, and gave universal satisfaction. Helen Stanley was an attractive picture as Micaela, and Henri Scott, a Philadelphia of former Metropolitan affiliations, was so vigorously applauded for his delivery of the "Toreador" song that he would have had ample warrant for doing it a second time.

In particular, honorable mention should go to Alexander Schallert, formerly a conductor of the Chicago Opera Company, who had drilled the chorus till it was responsive to his minor commands, and called from the dais but to those promptings of intelligence and eagerness not always associated with the rank and file of older companies. These singers labored and gesticulated naturally and behaved like human beings, not mere automata or wire-pulled marionettes. F. L. W.

## St. Louis Symphony Gives New Work by Arthur Bliss

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 1 (Special Correspondence).—The St. Louis Symphony Orchestra gave a third symphony of the new work by Arthur Bliss, which was the first of the season. The program was: Symphony No. 1, Op. 33, by Bliss; "Mélodie fantastique," by Arthur Bliss; "Pomp and Circumstance," by Elgar. Every advanced student of the violin played to his back, and called it quite as hackneyed as the Mendelssohn. Now and then, however, one is startled with a renaissance vision of its beauty in the present instance, Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance" was played with a freshness and originality.

Mr. Bliss presented two novelties on this program: the symphony of Sibelius and the "Mélodie fantastique" of Arthur Bliss, the latter having on this occasion its first presentation in America. The symphony is the work of a strong writer. Sibelius' conception is impressionistic, but the style is not impressionistic. The conception is typically Slavic. The "Mélodie fantastique" of the young English composer Arthur Bliss might be de-

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scribed as a musical kaleidoscope. Mr. Ganz, conductor of the orchestra, introduced the work with a few words to the audience. The substance of his speech was an appeal to the good will of the hearers.

The orchestra gave an almost faultless performance of this program. The quality of playing has steadily improved. There is excellent tone quality, a refined brilliancy, and a very exceptional ensemble. Mr. Ganz is conducting with certainty and authority.

## Claire Dux, Soloist With Chicago Orchestra

Special from Monitor Bureau. CHICAGO, March 2.—Miss Claire Dux officiated industriously as solo artist at the concert given by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Feb. 29 and March 1, for the seven weeks on the program she took part in four. The first of these was a concert at the University of Chicago, which Miss Dux asserts to have been the composition of Mozart. The aria was accompanied by a double bass obligato whose difficulty was of a hair-raising kind, and the performance of which reflected no little credit upon Václav Jiránek, who negotiated it.

A vast amount of music—masses, chorals, songs, symphonies, sonatas, etc.—said to have been composed by Mozart, has at one time or another been brought to the attention of concertgoers, but the outward evidence of authenticity are not particularly striking.

The singer's succeeding effort was in the finale of Mahler's fourth symphony. The nature of the material, the ingenuity and modernism which constitutes the Bohemian composer's music is characteristically represented in this symphony, which is more frequently ingenious than profound. Mr. Stock's performance, in interpreting Mahler's work, gave a brilliant exhibition of his powers, and the labors of Miss Dux were worthy of finer material than that which went to share in the rather futile verses of the concluding movement. The artist was heard at her best in a lullaby from Schreker's opera, "Der Schatzgräber," a charming excerpt that offered a larger abundance of inspiration than was presented in the interlude to the third act of the opera, which had preceded it. Miss Dux was heard also in an infrequently sung aria from Bizet's "Les Pêcheurs de Perles."

The purely orchestral pieces comprised Heinrich Kesser's arrangement of the F major Toccata by Bach—originally composed for organ—Debussy's arrangement of two of Erik Satie's "Gymnopédies" and the Harvest Festival from Schilling's opera, "Mélodie." Satie's work was of interest if only for the fact that it showed how a composition, once adjudged to be the last word in the modernity, could be wafted by the tide of time into the haven of art that is trite and even commonplace.

## AMUSEMENTS

## PHILADELPHIA

ALDINE THEATRE—Twice Daily 1:30 and 8:30. "THE TEN COMMANDMENTS" (A Paramount Production) by Cecil De Mille. Nights, 50c and 75c. Mat. 25c and 50c. All other matinees, 50c, 75c and 1.00.

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## AMUSEMENTS

## BOSTON

Jordan Hall, Tomorrow Evening at 8:15. LAST CONCERT OF Flonzaley Quartet. Phone B. R. 4230. W. H. LUCE, Mgr.

Jordan Hall, Sat. Aft., Mar. 8, at 3. ERNEST HUTCHESON. FELIX SALMOND. Tickets: \$2.50 to 55c. (Stetson Piano). W. H. LUCE, Manager.

## ARLINGTON THEATRE

Beach 5567. BERKELEY COMEDIANS. "GOING UP."

Even. at 8:10. Mat. 2:10. TUESDAY, SAT. 2:10. HENRY JEWETT'S. "The Madras House."

## COPLEY

Seats Down Town. Phone 7071. "The Madras House."

## SELWYN

Even. at 8:10. Mat. 2:10. WED. & SAT. 2:10. EXTRA MATINEE FRIDAY, MARCH 7. The SELWYN presents Mrs. Leslie Carter in "STELLA DALLAS."

"One Mother in a Million."

## ST. JAMES

Mat. 2:15 except Mon. Seats down town. Phone 202. Boston Stock Company in "THE ALARM CLOCK."

## Alarm Clock

Cringling with LAUGHTER.

## B. KEITH'S

"The Amusement Center of Boston." Week of March 3 at 2 and 8. Beach 1724. MISS FRANKLIN. WED. & SAT. 2:10. WILFRED CLARK—JOCKO, 250,000 CROW.

MARGA WALDRON. THREE ARNAUTS. HALL & DEXTER. AUSTRALIAN MENDEZAS. BROOKLYN ELLIOT & Bate La Tour. LOU HOLTZ.

## To Our Readers

Theatrical managers welcome a letter of appreciation from those who have enjoyed a production advertised in THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR.

sent to the State, four were paid for by the Rembrandt Society—a woman's portrait by J. C. de Pontormo; "Venus and Amor" by Paolo Veronese; a Madonna, by Fra Angelico; and "Madonna and Child and St. John," by Lorenzo di Credi. Three portraits were bought by syndicate consisting of members of the Rembrandt Society—"Portrait of Morosini Morosini," by Jacopo Bassano; "Adoration of the Babe," by Bassano; "Madonna and Child," by Bassano; "Portrait of a Young Woman," by Ambrogio de Preda. Mr. Jan H. van Heek, of Lonneker, presented a Madonna and child picture by Pietro Francesco Fiorentino.

The other eight pictures are lent anonymously by a Dutch collector to the Rijksmuseum. They are "Portrait of a Squire in Armour," by Lorenzo Lotto; "Madonna and Babe and Saints," by Francesco Sinigaglia; "Holy Family," by Lorenzo Costa; "Madonna and Angels," by Gaudenzio Ferrari; "Portrait of Young Man," by a representative of the Florentine School; "Madonna and Babe," by Marco d'Oggione; "Madonna and Babe," by Ambrogio Borgognone.

## New York Stage Notes

The Equity Players production of "Macbeth" with James K. Hackett and Clara Fames, will open at the Forty-Eighth Street Theatre on March 15.

Under the joint direction of Morris Gest and Charles B. Cochran, the Moscow Art Theatre will play its first London engagement in the late spring.

Mary Blair and a Negro, Paul Robeson, will play the leading roles in Eugene O'Neill's "All God's Children Got Wings," which will be produced at the Provincetown Playhouse in the month of "Fashion" will then be moved to another theater.

Miss Emma Jane Behl of Chicago has received the award of the \$3000 prize, offered annually by the Chautauqua Drama Board for the best play for Chautauqua production, it is announced by Dr. Paul M. Pearson of Swarthmore, secretary of the drama board.

## Carolyn Putnam Crawford School of Dancing

Artists for Public Engagements. Studio—The Fine Arts Building. DES MOINES, IOWA.

## AMUSEMENTS

## NEW YORK

RITZ. WEST 42ND ST. EYES. 8:30. MATS. WED. AND SAT. 2:30. Outward Bound.

Broadhurst. 44th St. W. of W. Eyes. 8:30. MATS. THUR. AND SAT. 2:30. Wistinghouse. 44th St. W. of W. Eyes. 8:30. Geo. S. Kaufman-Marc Connelly New Play ON "Beggar Horseback" with ROLAND YOUNG.

VANDERBILT. W. 45th St. Mats. Wed. and Sat. at 2:15. 5th Street N. Y.'s "Great Mystery Melodrama" with John J. Gorman. "The Mystery of the Next Room" by ELEANOR ROBSON & HARRIET FORD.

BIJOU. 45th St. W. of W. Eyes. 8:30. Mats. Wed. and Sat. 2:30. The Goose Hangs High with NANCY TRACY.

"Mr. Beach has done a fine thing in writing this play. It is a great service to the theater. It is a play that will be a success."

STEWART & FRENCH OFFER TWO CLEAN COMEDY HITS "Meet the Wife" with MARY BOLAND. "P.L.A.Y.H.O.U.S.E." Klaw Theatre, W. 45th St. Eyes. 8:30. Mats. Wed. and Sat. 2:30.

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## Pacific Coast Activities

Los Angeles, Feb. 23. Special Correspondence.

MOTION picture production on the Pacific coast, which has been as fluctuating and temperamental as a Cape Cod thermometer in early spring, is gradually returning to a normal mark once more.

Paramount is doing a lot of interesting things. For one they have signed up William Farnum, who has been off the screen for some time, and who is to make a series of pictures for them.

Edward Peple, who wrote "The Little Rebel" and "The Prince Chap," will help prepare the Farnum stories.

Cecil B. DeMille has completed a picture called "Triumph," founded on May Edginton's story. His next one will be "Foot of Clay," by Margaretta Tuttle, with Rod La Rocque and who is to make a series of pictures for them.

James Cruze has completed "The Fighting Coward," a screen adaptation of Booth Tarkington's story, "Magnolia," and is to make a series of pictures for them.

From the novel by Owen Johnson, in which Betty Compson will be featured.

Elizabeth Alexander's magazine story, "Roles," with Agnes Ayres in the leading role, will be Sam Wood's next picture. Joseph Henabery who is to film Sophia Kerr's "Worldly Goods," with Leatrice Joy featured, and Victor Fleming is to turn Byron Morgan's story, "Code of the Sea," into a film, with Lois Wilson and Rod La Rocque in the leading roles.

Pola Negri is at work on a story called "Men," which was written and is being directed, by her new director, Dimitri Buchowetzky, who will also write and direct her next one. William De Mille's next picture will be from an original story by Clara Beranger, his special writer, called "The Inside Story." Upon completion of the editing of his latest picture, "The Breaking Point," Herbert Brenon will go to New York and film William J. Locke's story "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "Woman of Paris" and "The Marriage Circle," has joined the Paramount forces, and is to be starred in a number of pictures, among them "The Mountebank," with Anna Q. Nilsson and Ernest Torrence. Irvin Willat will film Emerson Hough's story, "North of 36," with Jack Holt in the leading role. Adolphe Menjou, who distinguished himself in "



## ARMOUR'S POSITION VASTLY IMPROVED DURING LAST YEAR

### Annual Report Indicates Deflation Losses Well Behind Com- pany—Sales Increase

The financial statement of Armour & Co. for 1923 bears witness to a veritable transformation. In 1921 the company lost \$21,710,000 before dividends, in the 14 months ended Dec. 31, 1922, \$7,423,637 before dividends.

In addition the company charged off \$20,640,523 in that period for foreign exchange losses. Despite the addition of \$29,626,084 to property account in 1921 and 1922 through the reappraisal of plants, Armour & Co. suffered a net reduction in assets of \$40,835,992 in the 26 months to Dec. 31, 1923.

In January, 1923, the company was reorganized through the sale of \$50,000,000 first mortgage bonds and \$50,000,000 7 per cent guaranteed preferred stock of Armour & Co. of Delaware, outstanding gold notes of the parent company to the amount of nearly \$60,000,000 being retired. At the same time the properties of Morris & Co. were acquired. The two organizations were actually merged as of March 31, 1923.

**New Management**  
With the refinancing and the Morris acquisition, J. Ogden Armour retired from the active management, which was assumed by E. Edson White as president, assisted by a committee of bankers, consisting of Samuel McRoberts, Arthur Reynolds, and A. H. Wiggin.

Under the new regime, Armour's sales have actually increased over the volume secured by Armour and Morris separately, the company has made a normal profit, it has cut bank loans in half from the summer peak.

Sales of the combined organization for 1923 were more than \$500,000,000, thus putting Armour ahead of Swift for the first time in years. The margin of profit for Armour was substantially the same as that of Swift last year, the balance after interest equalling 1 1/2 per cent of sales in each case.

Armour actually made somewhat the better showing in this respect, since bond interest charges absorbed 0.93 per cent of Armour's sales, while Swift required only 0.51 per cent of sales to pay bond interest.

**Bank Loans Cut**  
The reduction of Armour's bank loans to \$58,098,000 at the end of the year was a striking achievement. This figure was actually less than the figure of Armour's bank loans alone at the end of any fiscal year since 1916.

It contrasted with loans of \$114,432,000 on June 30 last. The ratio of current assets to current liabilities at the year-end was 2.62 to one as compared with a similar ratio of 1.86 to one on June 30. Net working capital increased from \$129,550,000 on June 30 to \$136,472,000 at the end of the year.

The figures indicate that Armour's deflation period losses are well behind it, the merger of the two organizations functioning smoothly.

With the outlook for 1924 gross business bright, with further operating economies likely to be achieved as a result of the merger, the final showing of earnings for 1924 should be even better than the \$1.35 earned on the 4,001,348 shares of common last year.

## GOOD REPORT FOR TRI-STATE

### Substantial Surplus in 1923 After Dividends and Charges

Gross earnings of the Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Company, serving St. Paul, Winona, Stillwater, New Wing, Rochester, Albert Lea, Austin, Owatonna, Fairbault, Windom, and other southern Minnesota districts for 1923 totaled \$4,812,815, operating expenses \$2,533,027, taxes \$24,255, and reserve for depreciation \$815,503, leaving net earnings before interest charges of \$1,169,846. Interest on bonds of \$235,000 left net earnings after interest of \$934,846.

Assets of the company are given as \$18,876,748, with the plant estimated at \$17,161,806. The toll lines comprise some 2416 pole lines and 27,420 miles of wire, making the company the largest of the independents in this part of the country.

There are 28 exchange plants within the territory. No unusual or major projects are planned for 1924, though normal extensions and betterments will require an expenditure of approximately \$1,000,000.

No new financing is contemplated, with the possible exception of refunding unchanged, though the report of George of maturing bonds.

Service rates have been practically W. Robinson, president, says that "for some classes of service rendered the rate levels are too low, but the economic conditions have been such that the company has temporarily deferred applications for readjustment."

Taxes amounted to \$274,238, or 5.7 per cent of gross income. In 1920, outstanding bonds were \$285,000 and dividends were disbursed to stockholders at the rate of 8 per cent on the common and 4 per cent on the preferred, the aggregate being \$689,153.

The undistributed balance of \$195,693 was carried to surplus. Preferred and common stocks are carried on the books at \$10,118,580 and bonds, direct and assumed, at \$5,195,000.

## MONTGOMERY WARD SALES INCREASE

CHICAGO, March 5.—That most farmers are in good financial condition is shown by the fact that the sales of Montgomery Ward & Co. during February of \$12,589,808 were the largest for any February, comparing with \$9,663,304 a year ago and surpassing the previous record February of 1920, when sales were \$11,251,153. Every action showed an increase in sales.

Farmers are commencing to buy luxuries in large volume, demand for radios and lamps being exceptionally heavy. Spring and summer catalogues are being mailed to more than 6,000,000 customers, with no change in prices. The new plant at Oakland, Calif., which started in January, is proving an excellent outlet for western business.

**PRESSED STEEL CAR**  
PITTSBURGH, March 5.—Receipt of an order by the Pressed Steel Car Company from the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for 3000 all-steel box cars has made it unnecessary to close the Allegheny plant as had been contemplated. It is announced.

## SHIPPING LEADER SEES NO CAUSE FOR PESSIMISM

NEW YORK, March 5.—"I think business of the country is in good, sound, healthy condition," said Pres. P. A. B. Franklin of the International Mercantile Marine Company, before leaving for Europe. "I don't see anything in business conditions to warrant pessimism."

"My views on the shipping situation have not changed. Our bookings for passenger traffic are about the same as they were last year, and I look for another good season."

"We are still in the market for the steamer President Harding and President Roosevelt of the United States Line."

Mr. Franklin declined to discuss earnings or anything on resumption of International Mercantile Marine preferred dividend.

## DRIVE TO DEPRESS FRANC TO CONTINUE

### Broker Says 'Short-Selling' Cam- paign Will Be Pressed Till Bottom Is Reached

Special from Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK, March 5.—Percy J. Fuller, president of the firm of Morgan, Harwood & Co., now engaged in a "short-selling" campaign on the French franc, frankly places the results of his work before the public in a statement contributed by him to the German-American Journal, a fortnightly publication in English issued in the interest of the 26.8 per cent of the American people of German ancestry, which has just appeared here in the current number of that publication.

Cables and letters in connection with Mr. Fuller's campaign, he says, come from all parts of the world, though he denies that his is a "German-American banking house" or any other kind of a banking house. Mr. Fuller declares that his firm has "turned the machinery for this transaction," and promises to continue doing so until we feel that the bottom has been reached. There will certainly be no improvement in the price of the franc until the French learn to realize the existence of such things as sense and decency," he concludes.

Mr. Fuller's statement in part follows:

A little more than a year ago the French and Belgians entered the Ruhr, the "heart of Europe," and immediately the French flooded that rich area with their francs. It is the opinion of the smaller nations, her arms and munitions factories busy, vast loans made to the "new Balkan confederation," (but taken in arms and war supplies), the many differences with her former allies? What does it all mean?

**"New Balkan Confederation"**  
In the meantime stagnation, poverty, lack of work, industrial paralysis, is everywhere. The world waits, suffers, and wonders. No one seems willing to take the initiative.

France, armed to the teeth and armed with the power of the world, is attacking the world. It is the opinion of the smaller nations, her arms and munitions factories busy, vast loans made to the "new Balkan confederation," (but taken in arms and war supplies), the many differences with her former allies? What does it all mean?

My house, taking advantage of this peculiar set of circumstances, felt the need to end the deadlock and to attack it by economic means, and we started to do so in a small way months ago.

The operation has grown in magnitude to such an extent that it is now being denounced by the French Chamber of Deputies, claiming that a "German-American banking house" is engaged in a conspiracy to "sell" the franc, or, selling it subject to future delivery.

**"Not a Banking House"**  
We are not a "German-American banking house," nor any other kind of a "banking house." We are not conspirators nor are we destroying French credit.

We are just minding our own business and trying to make money honestly and legitimately.

Some of ourselves have destroyed their own credit. We have not. As a matter of fact, the French Government and French bankers have been, and are today, the heaviest "short" sellers of francs in the world.

We know of our own knowledge that this is true. That we are successful is undeniable. The downward slide of the franc simply proves that we are right. We think the franc will go much lower.

Letters and cables come to us from all parts of the world. Applied to represent us have even come from Africa. Our operations are exciting the keenest interest in many foreign journals. Now it started we do not know, for we have never sent even one circular abroad.

**LOFT, INC., BETTERS  
FINANCIAL POSITION**

NEW YORK, March 5.—Loft, Inc., did business last year on a considerably smaller margin of profit than in 1922, but sales, increased to \$7,406,292 from \$6,738,262, and retention of \$354,723 net earnings in the business last year. The company is considerably stronger financially at the end of the previous year. The 650,000 shares of no par capital stock selling at 6 1/2 cents larger asset value than when quoted around 10 1/2 cents a year ago.

The following table shows gross sales and net profits for the last two years together with earnings a share on the stock:

**1923 1922**  
Sales \$7,406,292 \$6,738,262  
Net earnings \$354,723 \$581,525  
Earnings a share \$54c 89c

The company has charged off increasing amounts for depreciation, which accounts for some of the apparent shrinkage in earnings. Depreciation last year was \$377,956, compared with \$360,633 in 1922. \$204,321 in 1921 and \$187,080 in 1920.

The company has paid off two \$125,000 serial maturities upon a mortgage for \$1,250,000 contracted in 1921, reducing it to \$1,000,000. At the end of 1923 current assets were \$1,336,656, or 3.4 times \$387,61 current liabilities. The latter included the \$125,000 mortgage installment due Feb. 1, since paid.

**TO MINE TIN IN BOLIVIA**  
NEW YORK, March 5.—American engineers have promised a company in Chile, with capital of \$2,000,000, for mining tin in Bolivia.

## AIR REDUCTION REPORT SHOWS RECORD PROFITS

### Earns \$12.31 a Share on Stock in 1923—Increase in Divi- dend Expected

The Air Reduction Company showed the largest gross income and net profits in its history in 1923. Gross income was \$10,301,061, compared with \$7,021,309 in 1922, and net profit was \$2,138,028, equal to \$12.31 a share on 173,586 shares of stock, compared with \$7.97, or \$5.33 a share on 168,121 shares in 1922.

Air Reduction takes high place in the ranks of industrialists which have adopted a policy of paying out only a small part of earnings in dividends, setting aside the greater part for expansion of plants, establishing reserves and clearing up indebtedness. This procedure not only goes a long way toward making a company depression proof, but also greatly increases earning power.

The following table shows net profit, depreciation reserve and dividend payments in the last two years, together with working capital position and funded debt:

	1923	1922
Net profit	\$2,138,028	\$797,507
Per share common	12.31	5.33
Dep reserve	1,021,156	958,733
Dividends	887,588	627,466
Current assets	4,725,495	4,383,751
Current liabilities	1,735,495	1,735,495
Working capital	4,341,108	2,648,256
Bonds	1,076,800	2,000,000

"Bonds were all called for redemption as of April 1, 1924."

**Pursues Conservative Policy**  
In every year for the last five years a larger sum was set aside for depreciation, and put into new construction, than was paid out in dividends. Total net earnings available for the common in that period was \$5,495,389, an average of nearly \$1,100,000 a year, or more than \$6 a share on the 173,586 common now outstanding. In this time only \$3,180,157 was paid out in dividends.

In the same period, reserves of \$4,694,465 were set up against property out of earnings so that actually about \$7,000,000 was ploughed back into the property in the five years and only a little more than \$3,000,000 paid out in dividends.

Air Reduction carries its plants and equipment at \$5,676,906, although they actually cost more than \$10,000,000. After allowing for the conversion of the \$1,075,000 bonds outstanding Dec. 31 into stock at 62 1/2, the book value of the common will be approximately \$60 a share, with no preferred stock or funded debt ahead of it.

**Valuable Subsidiaries**

Air Reduction spends \$250,000 yearly on research work which not only has resulted in improving efficiency of plants but has also developed a number of important new side lines. The most important of these is the production of cyanide gas for fumigating fruit orchards and cyanide for mining as a side line. This subsidiary which is controlled by the Air Reduction Company and its stockholders gives promise of being very profitable. The output of hydrocyanic gas has already been entirely consumed.

Other subsidiaries, including Cuban Air Products Corporation and the Compressed Carbonic Company, are giving excellent account of themselves.

In 1924 the company will acquire several new oxygen plants and has already bought sites in Harrisburg, Pa., and Lima, O. Other plants will be remodelled to conform to the latest type of apparatus. All of this will be paid for out of earnings.

Granted a continuance of good business conditions, Air Reduction should show a most profitable period in its history next year.

Greatly increased capacity in recent years which has not been accompanied by a corresponding increase in the stock should result in much larger earnings per share of common and an increase in the distribution to stockholders some time this year.

## ELECTRIC RAILWAY TRAFFIC PROBLEM IS SERIOUS ONE

ST. LOUIS, March 5.—Having come through the war intact and having met difficult financial and technical problems, the electric railway industry of the United States is now confronted by a serious situation brought about by street congestion, said Britton I. Budd of Chicago, president of the American Electric Railway Association, at the annual mid-year conference of the association here yesterday.

This situation will become increasingly serious, he said, unless the electric railway traffic is increased at the rate of 500,000 passengers a year. The year 1923 was the biggest year for the electric railways ever had, for they then carried 16,000,000,000 passengers.

To take care of the growth of business, the electric railway industry will require additional capital amounting to \$175,000,000 a year. Much of this capital will come, said Mr. Budd, through the sale of securities to the car riders, the customer-ownership plan.

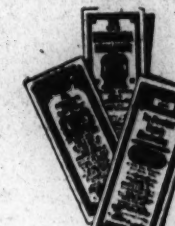
The industry need have no fear of competition from automobiles, he said. The electric railway will prove to be the cheapest and most efficient means of carrying the masses in the cities, and will continue to render that service.

**CONFERENCE ON PLUMBING**  
Representatives of the Colonial Brass Manufacturing Company of Boston are expected to take part in a conference tomorrow in the city of Washington, looking to the elimination of nearly 50 per cent of styles, sizes, and finishes in plumbing. Representatives of manufacturers, distributors, technical associations and consumers in nine other states are to take part in the conference.

**CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS**  
OTTAWA, March 5.—Canadian National Railways is urging the Government for permission to complete the extension of the Central Vermont Railway from Palmer, Mass., to the Canadian border, to complete it will cost \$3,000,000 more.

**LOS ANGELES GAS & ELECTRIC**  
Los Angeles Gas & Electric Company's preliminary report for the year ended Dec. 31, 1923, shows gross earnings of \$12,977,186, compared with \$11,915,471 in 1922, net after taxes \$4,969,875, surplus after interest and depreciation \$2,236,305, compared with \$1,615,466.

**RUSSIA'S CREDIT HOPES**  
LONDON, March 5.—Daily Express Moscow correspondent quotes Soviet Minister Rakovsky as saying Russia hopes to send delegates to London next week to negotiate with the Labor Government. Rakovsky said he would seek \$50,000 in goods and \$50,000,000 in cash credits.



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## AMSTERDAM HOLDS AUTOMOBILE SHOW

Holland's Imports of Autos Reach  
Nearly Double Those of 1923.  
and General Interest Grows

THE HAGUE, Feb. 20 (Special Correspondence).—Amsterdam has never witnessed an automobile show of the size of the present one, nor has the public's interest been so keen as this year. From the day of its opening, thousands visited the large building of the annual show near the Ferdinand Bol Street.

Last year part of the hall was reserved for ordinary and motorcycles. They were not admitted this time, and consequently the motor cars got more room. All the world's most famous makes were represented, from the Ford to the Rolls-Royce, and from the Citroen to the Lincoln and Cadillac. The cheaper American cars are beginning to experience the competition of the French and Italian cars of their own class, especially at the present moment with the exchange rate of the French franc at such a low point. The general interest was in the low-priced cars, which are also economical in use. The first selling this class of car did a good business, but the more expensive ones have also sold better than last year.

The public were also very much interested in the motor buses. These vehicles made their entry last year in great numbers into Holland, and they soon became very popular. Nowadays even the smallest and most remote villages have their motor bus services, connecting them with the larger provincial towns. In the principal towns the electrical trams are experiencing a difficult time because of the motor bus service, which bring their customers much quicker to their destination than the cars with obligatory stopping places. One meets these buses in the most different shapes, from the small Ford chassis to a shabby, light and too large body, to the bulky heavy super-bus with six or even eight wheels.

All automobiles makes in the show, save one, are imported. Holland has but one automobile manufacturer, the Spyker, which firm builds a very good but fairly expensive chassis. This circumstance accounts for the fact that nothing new or exceptional is to be seen here which was not shown in Paris or London.

There is, however, one national product. The General Netherlands Bicyclists' League presents a device for turning the headlights in order to prevent a driver from the opposite direction being dazzled by the light. This cleverly solved the problem of dazzling lights, as a slight turn of the lamps leaves enough light for clearly seeing the road before you; and lamps installed on this system are said never to rattle.

Imports of automobiles in Holland greatly increased during 1923, compared with the previous year. The increase is nearly 100 per cent, and new records are expected for the present year, as the better economic conditions prevailing here will clear away the reluctance of many a prospective buyer.

## CANADIAN RAILWAYS CATER TO TOURISTS

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 29 (Special Correspondence).—Anticipating an unprecedented volume of tourist traffic during the coming summer, the Canadian National Railways has arranged for through sleeping car service from Chicago to the Rockies and Pacific coast, via Winnipeg. The through cars will leave Chicago on the Chicago & Northwestern Railway, going on the Continental Limited at Winnipeg. The service will commence on June 7.

Sir Henry Thornton, president of the National lines, has referred several times in public speeches to his expectations of increased tourist traffic to Canada, and to the fact that the company is doing its utmost to provide every travel comfort for the travelers.

## RAILWAY EARNINGS FOR HARDWARE

**ROCK ISLAND LINES**  
January: \$3,894,265; 1923: \$4,895,884  
Net operating income: \$64,883; 1923: \$64,884  
Operating expenses: \$51,179; 1923: \$51,001  
Dep after int: \$30,915; 1923: \$5,947


**\*Income.\***  
NEW YORK, CHICAGO & ST. LOUIS  
January: 1924: \$4,895,884; 1923: \$3,894,265  
Operating expenses: \$51,179; 1923: \$51,001  
Net operating income: \$64,883; 1923: \$64,884  
Operating income: \$67,719; 1923: \$30,915

**CLINTFIELD COAL**  
Clintfield Coal reports net income of \$168,235 after charges and reserve for federal tax for 1923, equal after sinking fund and preferred dividends to \$4.30 a share on \$14,947,600 common, compared with \$779,715, or \$4.36 a share, on common in 1922.

**PACKER HIDE MARKET ACTIVE**  
CHICAGO, March 5.—Packer hide market on Colorado steers was again active at 12c, with butt branded steers moving at 12c. Country hides were weak in sympathy with the lower packer market.

**BALDWIN OPERATIONS**  
PHILADELPHIA, March 5.—Baldwin Locomotive Works continues to operate at reduced capacity, not exceeding 25 per cent at the present time. The outlook for business is better, and inquiries are increasing from both domestic and foreign sources. The annual meeting will be held here Thursday noon.

**CANADIAN RAILROADS  
REFUSE SHIPMENTS**  
WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 28 (Special Correspondence).—Embargo on grain shipments both east and west have been made effective by the Canadian railroads. Conditions of congestion prevail at the lakes head, Port Arthur and Fort



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## FRENCH SHIPYARDS EVIDENCE ACTIVITY

Boom in Shipbuilding Due to Fall  
of Franc—Low Wages Enable  
Firms to Underbid Competitors

PARIS, Feb. 21 (Special Correspondence).—The sudden increase in the activities of French shipyards has attracted serious attention. The French plants are securing not only orders for hulls and engines of large ships of foreign flags, but repair work as well, which ordinarily would go to British, Dutch, and Norwegian plants.

At a time when more than 300 yards in the British Isles are struggling to keep going the spectacle of French yards taking orders from Holland, Norway and England is unprecedented.

The opinion is expressed that the French boom is not only due to the fact that the French Government after the armistice has given all material on hand to the yards, but to the fact that the present rate of exchange makes very profitable the orders for repairs to place orders here. The English yards, it was declared, are just as favorably situated with reference to rapid delivery of ship material, but the difference in exchange is all in favor of the French doing the building.

The Loire Company recently took an order for a 22,000-ton passenger steamer for the Netherlands Steamship Company, and it is stated that the French bid was 25 per cent lower than the best Dutch offer.

The Penitencier plant at Saint-Nazaire has in hand the order for two fast French passenger steamers for the North Atlantic. The plant is now short of workmen and the yard is utilized to the full in handling foreign orders. The French position today is analogous to that of Germany when the mark began to decline. The depreciation of the mark brought increased orders to German yards, and the boom was only arrested by the French occupation of the Ruhr.

Today the French are profiting by steel deliveries from the Rhine as well as from their own plants, and with the franc where it is now, the wages paid to French workmen cannot be countered by any wage-scale in British, Dutch or Scandinavian shipyards.

Besides the Saint-Nazaire yards above-mentioned the shipbuilding boom has struck the French yards at Dunkerque, Marseilles and Toulon. The building work is practically all confined to merchant craft, and the effect is to place France today in the lead of the world's shipbuilding. Not since the days prior to the Napoleonic wars has France assumed such an important maritime role. French naval designs both for military and merchant ships were long recognized as models to be followed and so continue until the days of Nelson. That French yards are now coming back to their former relative importance is one of the results chargeable to present European conditions.

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# IRREGULAR AND QUIET TONE IN TRADING TODAY

Considerable Pressure Brought to  
Bear Upon Some Groups  
of Stocks

Stock prices moved within narrow and irregular limits at the opening of today's New York market. A fair demand developed for some independent stocks. Consistent pressure was put on New Orleans, Texas & Mexico sugar.

Irregularity continued in the early dealings, with the oil giving a demonstration of group strength. Maracaibo advanced 2 points and Pacific & Phillips 1 each, but Atlantic Refining dropped 1/2.

St. Paul common and preferred each advanced a point, and New Orleans, Texas & Mexico cancelled its loss and advanced 1/2 to 1 1/2, a new 1924 high. Central Leather common and preferred dropped 1 and 1/2, respectively, to new 1924 lows, and Deere preferred broke 5 points. United States Steel, Iron Pipe and American Woolen were again under pressure, dropping 1/2 each.

Foreign exchanges opened irregular.

Some New Lows  
Although oils and certain low-priced rails presented a strong front, particularly among the leather, silk, and chemical shares. Additional new 1924 low records were established by Delaware & Hudson, United States Steel, Illinois preferred, Julius Kayser common and preferred, and American Agricultural Chemical common and preferred, the losses ranging from 1/2 to 1 1/2.

Standard Industrials, such as United States Steel common, American Can, and Baldwin, met good support and closed about yesterday's level. Eastern General Electric and Westinghouse rose about a point each before noon.

Call money opened at 4 1/2 per cent. Wide buying continued in the afternoon, with both Kelly Springfield common and the 2 per cent. 1924 bonds. The year's lowest figures, as did Wilson Packing preferred. Leather lines, however, recovered part of their foreign losses.

St. Paul Issues the Feature  
Heavy buying of St. Paul railroad issues, which advanced from 1 to almost 5 points on reports that the road had completed arrangements for refunding its \$47,000,000 debt. The year's lowest figures, as did Wilson Packing preferred. Leather lines, however, recovered part of their foreign losses.

The rise in St. Paul lent a general advance in the speculative railroad group. Uneasiness over leather trade conditions caused selling of Central Leather 5s, which carried the issue down 2 1/2 points to a new low price for the year.

## FINANCIAL NOTES

Switzerland's 1923 budget year closed with a deficit of \$5,000,000 francs. The deficit had been estimated at \$4,000,000 francs.

It is understood Pennsylvania Railroad will sell an issue of \$20,000,000 equipment notes in the near future. Total to be sold during the end of the year will probably be \$40,000,000.

During January last 147 tank ships traded between Panama Canal and the west coast, 1923, and three less than in November, 1923.

The Mexican Government announced Tuesday that it had received a loan of \$10,000,000 from the United States. The loan is to be repaid over a period of 10 years.

Southern Bell Telephone Company asks the Interstate Commerce Commission to acquire the property of the Florida Telephone Company for \$15,000,000 and of the East Florida Telephone Company.

Frankfort-on-the-Main radio says the Reich Government is contemplating resumption of silver currency and has concluded large silver purchases in Berlin metal market. The Reich is to the pound, compared with a quotation of 480 on the international market.

The Bureau of Mines gives production of sulphur as 1,023,427 tons in 1923. Shipments of sulphur in 1923 were 1,330,942 tons worth \$22,000,000 in 1923. Shipments of sulphur in 1923 were 1,330,942 tons worth \$22,000,000 in 1923.

Somewhat stronger prices continued heavy buying by large jobbers, retailers and mail order houses marked the second day of Alexander's & Sons' sale. The Co. auction of rugs and carpets in New York. Sales Tuesday reached 13,612 bales, valued at \$2,000,000, bringing total for two days up to \$1,455,000.

North Atlantic Conference of ship lines, covering criticism of Norman Draper, Washington representative of the Interstate Commerce Commission, who recently attacked increased rates on packing house products to United Kingdom, is endeavoring to stabilize rates and in that capacity are now seeking modifications.

John D. Rockefeller Jr. buys 11-13 West Fifty-Third Street from the Barbour estate, or about \$750,000. The purchase is to be used for the entire south side of Fifty-Third Street from Number 2 to 24, and north side of Fifty-Third Street from Number 2 to 24, and north side of Fifty-Third Street from Number 2 to 24.

Times financial says the decline in Spanish peseta, which Tuesday went again into record slump, has been attributed in foreign exchange circles to bearish speculation primarily, this speculation having been based on the fact that the peseta is enjoying anything but good internal conditions.

Negotiations between St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad and Texas Company for drilling of test wells on property of New Mexico and Texas Company, abandoned. Agreement was reached on royalties, but terms could not be agreed upon as to rentals of any property taken over for oil exploration.

German big business has determined to war on an international gold bank of issue on three grounds: First, it would be under the influence of foreign politics; second, it means external control of German finances; third, it means the end of the Rentenbank by which industry has maintained a strangle hold on the German economy.

A bill authorizing the French Line to issue additional shares amounting to 4,000,000 to 12,000,000 francs, to cover the new stock of the French Line, was approved by the Finance Committee of the French Chamber of Deputies. The bill is to replace the Savole and La Lorraine, which must give way to faster boats to compete with American lines for French passenger traffic and mail service.

The government guarantees to subscribers to compete with American lines for French passenger traffic and mail service. The government guarantees to subscribers to compete with American lines for French passenger traffic and mail service.

Times financial says the oil production in California last year was "running wild," producers made contracts with eastern refiners to take some of the production. Within the last few months production has fallen to a level equalling such contracts as now seeking modifications either as regards prices or amount of oil to be delivered. The prediction is made that Santa Fe Springs field, one of the larger pools in the State, will be producing only 60,000 barrels of oil daily by July 1, compared with present daily production of 100,000 barrels and 445,000 daily at peak last August.

## NEW YORK CURE

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## NO INDICATIONS OF WEAKNESS IN WOOL SITUATION

Foreign Demand Holds Strong—  
Falling Off in World Out-  
put Big Factor

The wool market—on the surface—has not a few puzzling conditions, chief of which is the consistently delayed movement of the goods market. Underneath the surface, however, there is evident a very considerable amount of strength, due to the shortening supplies of wool.

This factor in the situation serves still to keep the markets abroad strong. The problem of replacement, in the markets "down under" is still a potent argument for the full maintenance of prices.

The Department of Commerce has issued a statement concerning world wool production in 1923, placing the quantity so produced at 2,604,311,000 pounds, or a decrease for the year of 86,000,000 pounds. This estimate seems unduly high or else the estimated decrease is too little, for private cables generally agree that the Australian production during the last season fell off at least 300,000 bales, or 100,000,000 pounds, while another 90,000,000 pounds decrease is estimated for Argentina, and some estimates place it even higher.

The fact which cannot be ignored is that the world is nearer to the sheep's back than it has been in a decade, so far as the supply of raw materials is concerned, and it does not appear that the supply of manufactured goods or garments is large, or even sufficient to meet the demands of an impoverished Europe. Thus, the statistical position of wool, which sometimes to be sure has been found to be very misleading, is particularly strong.

Good Foreign Demand  
Reports from the foreign primary markets this week indicate a strong demand. At Melbourne a steady demand exists and 98 per cent of the offering of 6000 bales was taken on Monday, with prices unchanged, the selection suitable for the United States being fairly good. England was the principal buyer, America taking only a little wool.

Similar conditions also prevailed in the market at Sydney, when England took the bulk of the offerings. According to one cable figure on the basis of \$4.35 for exchange, the selection coming was obtainable as low as \$1.25, landed Boston, clean basis, in bond, while a good 64-70s coming could be had at about \$1.20.

These quotations were undoubtedly on the low side of the market, although representing to some extent the attention of American buyers from the market for the better wools, since average wools of the same grade were fetching \$1.18, and topmaking pieces of the same quality were bringing \$1.16.

At the Cape of Good Hope, the market left suitable for this market, and such stocks as are available are very firmly held. Likewise at the River Plate, stocks of standard wools, have been extremely limited.

New Zealand Prices Steady  
At the recent sales in New Zealand, at Christchurch and Dunedin, despite a rather poor selection, the level of prices has been steadily maintained. America has been buying more freely in this market of late.

There was an excellent demand for the 12,600 bales catalogued in Hull on Friday, and prices showed an upward tendency, in line with the predictions of Bradford and in keeping with the previous conduct of the Bradford trade. Fine crossbreds and crossbreds, with both greasy and scoured, as well as skin wools, were par to 5 per cent higher than at the close of the sales in Liverpool, and similar wools, while medium qualities were up fully 5 per cent, and the low grades advanced 7 1/2 to 10 per cent. The English trade were the principal operators.

In Liverpool, this week, there will be a two-days sale Thursday and Friday, at which prices undoubtedly will be well maintained. There will be no more E. A. W. R. A. wools offered in London, the last sale of these wools being scheduled to take place May 1 and 2 at Liverpool.

London will open next Tuesday, the offering being made of free wools, and the next Liverpool sales of East India wools will open on the same date, with offerings for the series of 28,000 bales.

Contracting in West Spreads  
Contracting in the west has been spreading rather widely during the last week and should the growers show a fairly conciliatory attitude, the season undoubtedly would be a short one. The dealers evidently believe that there is room for the new domestic clip in the mills at prices somewhat near those now being paid, and so they are taking wool more or less readily at 40 to 42 cents, for the most part, in Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, Oregon, California, and to some extent in the earlier shearing states of Arizona and a little in Texas.

In the goods end of the market, it would appear that the demand is still proceeding along conservative lines, although the opening of women's wear lines appears to have given some impetus to the market and it would not be surprising were this end to develop a business of fairly substantial proportions.

The topmakers and spinners are finding the market slow and prices are steady on the basis of previous quotations.

## TOTAL CORPORATE FINANCING FALLS OFF IN FEBRUARY

The total of railroad, industrial, and public utility bonds, notes and stock issued in February was \$378,145,500, compared with \$386,449,445 in January, 1924, and \$654,360,300 in February, 1923.

Industrial corporations were the largest borrowers, at \$11,207,400, compared with \$109,474,700 for public utilities and \$57,381,300 for railroads. Interest rates on February offerings showed a substantial decline, reflecting the easier money market, as well as improvement in the investment field. The largest and most important issues were Lehigh Valley Coal Company \$15,000,000 5 per cent refunding bonds and the Puget Sound \$15,000,000 first purchase money 5 per cent bonds.

Amount of bonds, notes, and stock issued by railroad, industrial, and public utility corporations in February, 1924, and two months, with totals for each class of security, follow:

	Bonds	Notes	Stock
Feb.	\$11,207,400	\$11,207,400	\$11,207,400
Jan.	\$109,474,700	\$109,474,700	\$109,474,700
1923	\$654,360,300	\$654,360,300	\$654,360,300

Approximately \$54,384,000 out of the total of \$378,145,500 equal to 19.2 per cent, was used to retire maturing securities. The companies repaid \$30,000,000 of 8 1/2 per cent in January, and \$24,384,000 or 11.2 per cent in February, 1923.

SENTIMENT IN  
STEEL TRADE IS  
MORE CAUTIOUS

The Iron Trade Review says: With some conspicuous points as the exception, the steel market is quieter. Buying for forward delivery is under check, and commitments are being made to represent exact needs so far as they may be determined.

Discounting of the future with attendant possibilities of speculation is at a minimum. Since the current consumption to all indications is running at a high gait, the conservatism of buyers is regarded a favorable precedent to the prolongation of healthy conditions, though mills are not able to accumulate the backlog tonnage they would like.

The market reflects more questioning of possible business effects as a result from the disturbed political conditions at Washington, and while this has had no bearing on underlying factors, it is manifestly contributing to the cautious sentiment.

IRREGULARITY ON  
LONDON EXCHANGE

LONDON, March 5.—The stock market today was steady but trading was quiet. French loans were weak on the drop in France. Domestic securities were dull, traders awaiting the results of the conference which opens Thursday to discuss the threatened coal mining strike.

Gilt-edged stocks were irregular. Industrials were steadier. There was a demand for Mexican and Brazilian issues.

Argentine rails had an early upward movement, some of which was later lost. Oils were checked and the mining group unsteady. Rio Tinto sold at 34 1/2 and Hudson's Bay 5 1/2.

MONEY MARKET

Current quotations follow:  
Call Loans—Boston, New York  
Renewal Rate—4 1/2%  
Outside commercial—4 1/2%  
Year money—5 1/2%  
Customers' com. loans—5 1/2%  
Indiv. com. lns.—5 1/2%  
Last  
Bar silver in New York—Today  
Bar silver in London—33 1/2  
Bar gold in London—\$34.10  
Mexican dollars—48 1/2  
Canadian ex. dls.—33 1/2

Clearing House Figures  
Exchanges—Boston, New York  
Year ago today—\$75,000,000  
Balances—\$75,000,000  
Year ago today—\$75,000,000  
F. R. bank credit—\$1,542,157

Acceptance Market  
Spot, Boston delivery  
Prime eligible banks—4 1/2%  
60 days—4 1/2%  
Under 30 days—4 1/2%  
Less known banks—4 1/2%  
60 days—4 1/2%  
Under 30 days—4 1/2%  
Eligible private banks—4 1/2%  
60 days—4 1/2%  
Under 30 days—4 1/2%

Leading Central Bank Rates  
The 12 federal reserve banks in the United States and 10 in foreign countries quote the discount rate as follows:  
Boston—4 1/2%  
New York—4 1/2%  
Chicago—4 1/2%  
St. Louis—4 1/2%  
Philadelphia—4 1/2%  
Cleveland—4 1/2%  
Richmond—4 1/2%  
Atlanta—4 1/2%  
San Francisco—4 1/2%  
London—4 1/2%  
Paris—4 1/2%  
Brussels—4 1/2%  
Copenhagen—4 1/2%  
Hamburg—4 1/2%  
Stockholm—4 1/2%  
Swiss Bank—4 1/2%  
Vienna—4 1/2%  
Helsinki—4 1/2%

Foreign Exchange Rates  
Current quotations of various foreign currencies are given in the following table, compared with the last previous figures:  
Sterling—Current—Previous—Parity  
Dennard—\$4.28 1/2—\$4.28 1/2—\$4.28 1/2  
Cable—\$4.28 1/2—\$4.28 1/2—\$4.28 1/2  
French francs—0.047 1/2—0.047 1/2—0.047 1/2  
Belgian francs—0.025 1/2—0.025 1/2—0.025 1/2  
Swiss francs—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Lira—0.030 1/2—0.030 1/2—0.030 1/2  
Hollander—0.030 1/2—0.030 1/2—0.030 1/2  
Sweden—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Norway—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Denmark—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Spain—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Portugal—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Brazil—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Argentina—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Australia—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Poland—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Hungary—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Czechoslovakia—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Finland—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Szechuan—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Shanghai (tael)—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Hong Kong—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Bombay—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Yokohama—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Rangoon—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Calcutta—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Canton—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2  
Peru—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2—0.125 1/2

Per thousand. \*Per million.

LONDON QUOTATIONS  
LONDON, March 5.—Consols for money today were 53 1/2. Debentures 13 and 14 1/2. Money was 10 per cent discount. Short bills 3 1/2 per cent; three months' bills 3 1/2 per cent.

## PROGRESS SHOWN IN PACIFIC GAS ANNUAL REPORT

Low Rates Gradually Being Offset by Increased Business—  
Cash Position Strong

The annual report of the Pacific Gas & Electric Company shows that the surplus remaining for the payment of dividends after the deduction of all prior charges, including the reserve for depreciation, was \$6,784,394, equivalent to 12.44 per cent on all the 6 per cent preferred stock outstanding at the close of the year. The surplus available for the common stock was equivalent to 10.35 per cent on all such stock outstanding at Dec. 31, 1923, or \$801,976 in excess of the present 8 per cent rate.

The condensed balance sheet reflects not only the prosperous condition of the company's finances, but also the conservatism of the management in maintaining a strong cash position, in providing for contingencies through the creation of a reserve for depreciation, carrying a fair proportion of the year's earnings to surplus. Including \$11,386,893 of cash, current assets at the close of the year were \$20,890,590, compared with current liabilities of only \$8,895,347.

Throughout the year the company conducted its business on a cash basis, and for a number of years in the past, no temporary borrowing was found necessary. The aggregate of all reserves at the close of the year was \$19,292,100, and of unappropriated surplus, \$2,711,605.

Recovery From Low Rates  
With an increase of \$728,000 in gross and \$651,000 in net, omitting miscellaneous income, the chief characteristic that may be applied to the year 1923 is that it was a period of gradual but nevertheless substantial recovery from the effects of lower rate schedules, which benefited the company's electric customers by about \$2,500,000 and gas customers by about \$70,000, or a total of \$2,570,000.

The lower electric rates were predicated on an anticipated greater volume of business and on the fact that the new hydroelectric installations on the Pitt River, placed in operation in the latter part of 1923, had a beneficial influence in conformity with the plan instituted by the Railroad Commission, under which rate adjustments, either upward or downward, are automatically made to conform to the underlying business.

To bring about the increase of \$728,000 in gross in all departments in the face of rate reductions aggregating \$3,470,000 required the adoption of new business calculated to yield an annual gross revenue of more than \$4,000,000. As this new business, on the whole, of a permanent character with the increased, have a continuing influence on future earnings.

Operating Expenses Reduced  
A reduction of \$437,117 was made in operating expenses, notwithstanding the greatly enlarged volume of business. Smaller reserves were required for depreciation accounts and casualties. The year's tax bill was \$4,029,837, an increase of \$339,674. Maintenance expenditures were \$3,442,979, an increase of \$325,448.

The net result of these increases in some items and decreases in others was a residual profit of \$7,534 in all departments from gross, which still left an increase in net of \$651,439, equivalent to 30 per cent of the increase in gross. The plants and properties account at the close of 1923 stood at \$219,000,000, an increase during the year of \$18,769,000, and an increase within the last three years of \$45,365,000. While net increased sufficiently to cover the depreciation accounts and casualties, the company's balance sheet shows that the cost of the new capital placed in service during the year, complete recovery to a more normal earning capacity and one more commensurate with the increased value of the properties will, it is expected, be accomplished in 1924.

Higher Earnings Assured  
The number of active meters on the company's lines on Dec. 31, 1923, was 703,529, an increase of 10,000 over the year 1922, and a record for the company's history, but also assuring a largely increased earning capacity in 1924.

Total sales of electric energy in 1923 were 1,197,000,000 kilowatt hours, an increase of 88,588,000 kilowatt hours compared with 1922. The annual rate of growth in this department is roughly equivalent to the entire capacity of 50,000 horsepower plant under average operating conditions. Sales of gas were 13,473,000,000 cubic feet, an increase of 1,321,000,000 cubic feet compared with 1922. In this department also the year 1924 promises expansion equal to that of 1923.

From the income of the year there was set aside, in conformity with the findings of the Railroad Commission, as a reserve for depreciation, the sum of \$2,274,757. Adding to this the expenditures for maintenance during the year, gives a total of \$6,667,736 expended or set aside for the proper upkeep of the property.

Public Utility Earnings  
GENERAL GAS & ELECTRIC  
January—1924  
Operating revenue—\$1,448,709  
Expenses—1,043,665  
Operating income—405,044

NEW YORK, March 5.—Following are the current cash prices for staple commodities, compared with the last previous year and one month ago:  
Mar. 5, Feb. 5, Mar. 6, 1924  
Wheat, No. 1 spring, 1.47 1.44 1.47 1.47  
Wheat, No. 2 red, 1.31 1.31 1.31 1.31  
Corn, No. 2 yellow, .98 1.00 .98 .98  
Oats, No. 2 white, .59 1.00 .59 .59  
Flour, 11.00 11.00 11.00 11.00  
Pork, 24.50 24.50 24.50 24.50  
Beef, 19.00 19.00 19.00 19.00  
Sugar, 8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00  
Lard, 22.25 22.25 22.25 22.25  
Silver, .67 1.00 .67 .67  
Gold, 9.00 9.00 9.00 9.00  
Tin, 55.75 55.75 55.75 55.75  
Rubber, 14.25 14.25 14.25 14.25  
Cotton, 28.50 28.50 28.50 28.50  
Steele's, 40.00 40.00 40.00 40.00  
Print cloth, .06 1/2 .06 1/2 .06 1/2 .06 1/2  
Zinc, 7.00 7.00 7.00 7.00

SAGUENAY PULP & POWER  
MONTREAL, March 5.—Operating profits of the Saguenay Pulp & Power Co. for 1923 amounted to \$388,051. After allowing for depreciation, depletion, reduction in inventories and discount on securities, aggregating \$568,880, a deficit of \$180,828 remained for the year. Operating profits in 1922 were \$290,210.

CANNERS, INC., EARNINGS  
CANNERS, Inc., for the year ended Dec. 31, 1923, shows gross sales, \$1,835,306; net, \$2,101,488; surplus after charges, \$808,172; surplus after dividends, \$485,348.

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## BIG RECOVERY FOR AMERICAN SMELTING CO.

Profits for 1923 Increase 51  
Per Cent Compared  
With 1922

The good reports concerning the earnings recovery of the American Smelting & Refining Company were not belied in the report just issued. Final profits, after all property reserves and federal taxes, amounted to \$8,244,581, an increase of more than \$3,000,000 compared with 1922, or 51 per cent. They were the largest since the big war year of 1917, and were comparable with 1912 and 1913.

Before arriving at these profits, \$5,914,562 was reserved for depreciation and depletion alone. The conservative nature of this charge is apparent when it is seen that it represents almost 30 per cent of gross profits and is more than 60 per cent of final distributable earnings. This reserve was double the 1922 reserve of \$2,957,281, and the 1917 reserve of \$2,957,281, and the 1913 reserve of \$2,957,281.

Carried through to its balance sheet, American Smelting's big earnings loom larger. Net working capital at the close of 1923 amounted to \$6,744,512, an increase of almost \$2,000,000 over 1922, and the largest "net quick" account in the history of the company.

Although a portion of this increase is represented by the \$6,000,000 bonds issued for the purpose of developing its coal property in Mexico, up to last September it had expended about \$3,000,000 on this work, so that, allowing for the balance, the increase over 1922 is still noteworthy.

American Smelting had less ore and metals on hand at the close of 1923 than in any year since 1917; measured by the inventory decline was more than \$15,000,000.

The following shows salient features of earnings and treasury position:

	1923	1922
Per ash com.	\$8.44	\$5.28
Metals stks.	\$8,511,862	\$5,740,503
Liberty bonds	\$1,294,144	\$1,130,500
Net wkg. cap.	\$6,744,512	\$4,744,512

LIBERTY BOND HOLDINGS  
The increase in Liberty bond holdings from \$1,130,500 to \$1,294,144 represented investment of monies awaiting expenditure on plant expansion and improvements. And it is the desire of the management to maintain in the future a liquid investment account that can quickly be turned into cash.

American Smelting common is at present paying dividends of 5 per cent annually, calling for \$3,049,500. Having shown a margin over its dividend requirements of 10 per cent in 1923, with the last year's increase in period showing steadily increasing metal prices, the opinion is well based that an increase in the common dividend is not a remote possibility.

In this connection an official says: "Our common dividend will be increased; when that will be another question. Our earnings in January were large, and if continued, will be sufficient to warrant a dividend increase. But we shall not take this step until we are assured that we can maintain the increased rate, keep our treasury position strong, and, at the same time, continue our policy of expansion and improvement."

## WESTINGHOUSE PAYS STOCK DIVIDEND AND OFFERS NEW STOCK

NEW YORK, March 5.—Directors of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company today declared a stock dividend of 10 per cent, payable in common stock, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of \$1 on the common stock.

The directors also authorized an issue of \$17,955,000 par value additional common stock, which will be offered to stockholders of record March 17 at \$52.50 a share, in the rates of one new share for each five held.

The extra stock dividend will be paid to stockholders of record May 2. Holders of preferred stock will participate share and share alike in the 10 per cent common stock dividend declared by the company. Both classes of stock share alike in dividends after 7 per cent has been paid.

Dividends  
Homestake Mining declared the regular monthly 50 cents dividend, payable March 25 to stock of record March 20. Manhattan Electric declared the regular quarterly \$1 common dividend, payable April 1 to stock of record March 20.

Directors of Continental Motors, in session at Detroit, adjourned without acting on dividend resumption.

American Express Company declared the regular quarterly \$1.50 dividend, payable April 1 to stock of record March 15. Bucyrus Company declared an extra dividend of 1 per cent and the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share on the preferred, both payable April 1 to stock of record March 20.

Sugar Estates of Ontario, Inc. declared the regular quarterly \$2 preferred dividend, payable May 1 to stock of record April 15. Reo Motor Car declared an extra dividend of 1 per cent and the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share on the common and 2 1/2 per cent on the preferred, both payable April 1 to stock of record March 15.

Bangor & Aroostook Railroad declared the regular quarterly dividend of 15 per cent on the common and 7 1/2 per cent on the preferred, both payable April 1 to stock of record March 15. Public Service Corporation of New Jersey has declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1 on the common, \$2 on a 5 per cent preferred, and \$1.75 on a 7 per cent preferred, all payable March 31 to stock of record March 14.

Lehigh Valley Railroad declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on the common and 7 1/2 per cent on the preferred, both payable April 1 to stock of record March 15. Commercial Solvents declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1 on the A common stock and 2 per cent on the preferred, both payable April 1 to stock of record March 15.

Chandler Motor Company declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.50, payable April 1 to stock of record March 15. Pere Marquette Railway declared the regular quarterly dividends of 1 per cent on the common and 1 1/2 per cent on the preferred, both payable April 1 to stock of record March 15. Puget Sound Power & Light Company declared the regular quarterly \$1.75 stock dividend, \$1.50 preferred and 1 per cent common dividends, all payable April 15 to stock of record March 20.

MASSACHUSETTS TRUST COMPANY declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, payable April 1 to stock of record March 15. Liberty Trust Company declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$3, payable April 1 to stock of record March 15. Puget Sound Power & Light Company declared the regular quarterly \$1.75 stock dividend, \$1.50 preferred and 1 per cent common dividends, all payable April 15 to stock of record March 20.

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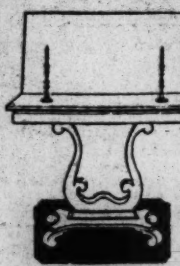
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IN A quite true, though somewhat metaphorical, sense all the arts are one at bottom, though just what their essential unity is it is hard to say. Indeed, learned books have been written on the subject without arriving at conclusions that have been generally accepted. And yet we all know that every art is commonly described in terms of all the others, as when we say of poetry, for instance, that it is musical, or decorative, or even sculptural. We also speak of the architecture of verse, the picturesqueness of description, the symmetry of an ode, and so on; and in the same way we speak of music as poetic or pictorial, of pictures as having rhythm, or of a piece of sculpture or even a building as lyrical. Some critics, such as Professor Babbitt, object seriously to this tendency, looking upon it as a sign of the breaking down of the several arts, but in this objection they are thinking mostly of the danger of pushing it to extremes. The fact remains that we feel instinctively that arts are, as the Greeks pictured them, nine sisters having a strong family resemblance.

It is perhaps a recognition of this fact that has led so many masters to dream of one great art that shall be a fusion of all the nine, or seven, or five, as we may choose to count them. The Greeks, as one might expect from their genius for balance and propriety, came nearer to success in the attempt than any other people, and a Greek drama may quite fairly be looked upon, from one point of view, as a remarkable experiment in the fusion I have mentioned. The Greek "orchestra" or "orchestra" had as its primary element the dance, the oldest of the arts, but, as its modern form, "orchestra" suggests, it implied a union or harmony of many diverse elements. In a Greek play of the great period, for example, we have an architectural background, representing the facade of a palace or temple, music represented in the songs of the chorus and the playing of instruments, dancing and pantomime in the evolutions of the chorus, sculptural effects, as of a Parthenon frieze, in the slow movements of the actors and their poses, and grouping color in the costumes, and, above all, poetry in the choric odes and the speeches.

Perhaps we do not often enough recognize while reading a Greek play—which may not impress us as particularly moving or even interesting—that to a Greek of taste the actual text, the "book," was only one part (though, of course, the most im-

portant part) of a whole that united all the arts into one powerful effect. He knew very well that a dramatist was faced by a much harder problem than the mere writing of a play, and that in the competition among the poets the literary excellence of the play was not the only ground of judgment. At the great Dionysiac festivals at which the plays were presented, two or three dramatists competed, each providing three or four plays bound together by a common

of a beautiful home is being accepted and achieved, we must look again upon Morris as one of the most influential personalities of the nineteenth century.

The nine muses lived together on Helicon and they are commonly represented as dancing with clasped hands in a ring. Some day we shall realize that they must admit to their circle their humbler sisters, the useful arts, and, coming down from their mountain, dwell among men. For the true union of all the arts would be to make the commonplace of every day beautiful. R. M. G.

## Winter Garden

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

This is my garden on a winter night. When the wind roams without, and snows lie white. Beside the hearth flames—violet, saffron, rose— More vivid still, my fair dream garden grows. Here are spring daffodils—Herrick's loved flower; Trim beds of tulips, gorgeous for an hour; Old-fashioned lilacs, dewy sweet at morn;

## Midsummer roses, crowning many a thorn.

While, in one corner, I may not forget Sweet pansy faces, framed by mignonette; And, underneath a dazzling August sky, Spikes of blue larkspur lift their columns high. The hearth logs quiver, swiftly fall apart. Lovelier than they, the garden of my heart! Frances Crosby Hamlet.

## Triumphant Right

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

THE adage that "might makes right" has taken strong hold upon the thought of many men. It has long been firmly believed that the power of human personality is the arbiter of the affairs of mankind, regardless of ethical, moral, or spiritual code. The saying, "To the victor belong the spoils," is but the logical consequence of this theory of putting might above right. To such materialists, the idea that power belongs only to God of a necessity appears chimerical and transcendental. However, that God is both omnipotent and omniscient, that He possesses all power and is all-wise, is coming to be accepted by a multitude of thinkers, who are finding satisfactory proof of their conviction. Faber struck the keynote of the situation in these lines:—

"And right is right, since God is God; And right the day must win; To doubt would be disloyalty. To falter would be sin!"

The belief that evil is power, that it is even superior to the might of right, has led men far astray from the narrow way of rectitude. The belief that the teachings of Christ Jesus are impractical affairs of life, as many have held, has led to the pursuance of evil courses marked with the assumption that evil has power, that it is even more powerful than good, that it may finally triumph over good. The correction of this erroneous thinking is one of the most important services rendered by Christian Science, which has done much to re-establish faith in God as all-powerful, governing all in accordance with His unchanging divine law.

How completely did certain of the ancient priests and prophets of Israel trust God as the all-powerful One! Can we doubt Moses' vision of God as the All-powerful, the One mighty to save the children of Israel, beloved of Him as the chosen people, whose mission should be to reveal Him as the Father? Job, who manifestly saw that God was both omnipotent and omniscient, declared, "I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withheld from thee." The Revelator heard a great multitude saying, "Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth." Christ Jesus knew the Father to possess and express all power; and, furthermore, he foresaw the final and complete triumph of good over evil of every type, under whatsoever guise, however expressed. "Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?" he asked of the soldiers come to take him; and yet he submitted to their material sense of power, although he knew that God's omnipotence was available to him to meet and destroy

every manifestation of evil, even of the most virulent type.

Christian Science furnishes perfectly logical reasoning in support of the triumph of right, and of its ascendancy over wrong. "In the Science of Mind-healing," declares Mrs. Eddy in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" (p. 446), "It is imperative to be honest, for victory rests on the side of immutable right." Right is the victor over every form of error, over every claim of power unlike good. And why should not this be so? To be sure, God, omnipotent good, seems to be arrayed against a power, which is, however, in the light of divine Science, proved to be a nonentity, a falsity, which has no power. In the universe of Spirit—God's universe—good is ever present; and since God is all-powerful, evil has neither presence nor power. Consequently, good, in reality, has not even an opponent.

The claim of evil to possess power is but a belief, which is destroyed and corrected through the understanding of the facts of God's perfect, harmonious Being. The triumph of right is the triumph of good, the establishment of God's kingdom on earth, even "as it is in heaven." Since all righteousness is of Him, Christian Science is fast establishing the fact in human experience that right, as a quality of divine Mind, is manifest throughout His kingdom; and as God's kingdom is infinite, there is no reality in the seeming evil, which by the very nature it claims to possess is excluded from the realm of good.

What, then, one may ask, becomes of the great evils which seem sometimes to be perpetrated upon mankind by those who are actuated by wrong motives? They appear to thrive in the exercise of evil power, establishing themselves in positions of great influence and importance. The student of divine Science knows that God, as the only creator, exercises the only power; that the triumph of wrong is but seeming; that it is, in all quality or feature of reality, but like all seeming, is a phase of evil, a prying, evil disappears and good gains its rightful recognition as the only power. In speaking of mental despotism, beginning on page 102 of Science and Health, Mrs. Eddy says: "Mankind must learn that evil is not power. Its so-called despotism is but a phase of nothingness." And on page 206 she says, "Omnipotent and infinite Mind made all and includes all." Since God is infinite power, all might inheres in Him, who is infinitely right.



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## On Arriving

Arriving began by one's waking up in the small hours of the morning and wondering where one was, and gradually becoming aware that one was indeed in the cabin of the ship and traveling in the midst of the sea. The great question was how soon one could get up. The view from the porthole probably revealed only a grey waste of waters. One hardly dared to look at the time for fear it should be some dreadful hour like three or four o'clock—a hopeless hour at which it was quite useless to get up. One lay trying to go to sleep again, or, failing that, determined to lie still for an hour by sheer effort of will; and when one looked at the clock again it was but five minutes later. Sometimes one would try to persuade oneself that four o'clock was quite a reasonable hour to get up, and, having dressed, find one's way up on decks that were either deserted and very wet, or else in process of being washed down, so that there was no dry spot to sit upon. No land being visible, and the air being probably bitterly cold and the sun not risen, the most sanguine temperament failed to support such conditions, and one would come down again and make another effort to sleep, repeating these experiments until one did sleep in earnest, and woke up with a shock to find that the green shores of Ireland were visible, that the sun had risen, and that other people had been up for quite a long time.

## The Awakening of the Nile

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

O Isis, is it true that tears of you Did form the ebbing waters of the Nile? You thought to find Osiris lingering here— And so he is! Check not those flushing tears That bosom deep a thousand sparkling stars Let down on silver cords across thy path. Cradle the shimmering shower of diamond dust That marks the patten of his little feet. The lapping of the waters gives surcease, As patting of his hands on thy fair cheek. Weep not in sorrow; weep in laughing joy That every tear a jewel be, in gold— The roid of burning desert-sweep brushed o'er. With pearly drops that feed the famished sand. A wagtail fans the air in wide-winged flight. Sunset to star, and now to dawn of day! No chilly fingers mark the coming light. Now heralded by Memnon's distant song. The air is soft as thistle-down. The cliffs Are purple-hued and flushed with growing pink. Egyptian goddess fair, withhold not now Your tears! Give drink to those your sisters here. Whd come now to the brink to fill their jars! Give waters deep! And find Osiris. Before the hot Egyptian day is quite awake. Gertrude S. McCalmont.

the greater joy was to come. The mails have been taken off, the parcels and odd luggage discharged, and with a grating of brakes we turn away down the steep street, where the masts of ships show over the roofs of houses, round the corner, beside the pump, along the wall of an old castle, and suddenly the view is open—to me the most sacred and beautiful view in the world; a view of beach and harbor and sea, with our own craft at her moorings in the foreground, and the swift sliding tide beyond, and across it green wooded shores trimmed with a brown line of seaweed, and the blue mountains in the distance. That was the culmination; but a few yards more and the wheels had come to rest, and we jumped down on to the gravel sweep into the arms waiting to receive us. Yet it was not the beloved kinfolk whose presence and welcome most thrilled us, but the sturdy bearded, blue-jeaned figure, a comrade and admiral of our small fleet of boats, who stood waiting to take part in the welcome, and, incidentally, to help with the luggage. . . . When we had found him we had Arrived—Fleeson Young, in "Letters from Solitude."

## The Ballytumna Courier

Thady Sheridan, our Schoolmaster, had for a long time wished to get up a local magazine, but there were difficulties in his way chiefly due, in his opinion, to the dearth of native talent. However, at last, Tom Murphy a budding poet, aged ten, came to live in Ballytumna and with his help Thady determined to carry out his long cherished plan. He consulted Mr. Tufts, our Squire, who gave him every encouragement and begged him to correct the spelling or grammar of every contributor. Thady deferred to this wish, though it rather surprised him. Well, the first number was issued at last, six pages of foolscap all written by hand by Thady and a few village helpers. This is the title, "The Ballytumna Courier, a monthly magazine with items of local news. Price One Penny. Three illustrated numbers are issued at 'Twopence each.' Thady contributed a good but not very interesting paper, written in perfect English, entitled "Back to the Land" in which he pointed out the advantages of an agricultural life. This was followed by these verses by Tom Murphy:

THE COUNTRY  
Why should we leave the country?  
If troth and I cannot tell  
Sure none of us would like the town  
One hundredth part as well.  
Our homes they do be simple  
But they are clean and neat  
And what can match our heather beds  
So springy and so sweet?  
We all have food in plenty  
Yes and a crust to spare  
For some poor wanderer from the town  
Who did be hungry there.  
We drink the crystal water.  
We bathe us in the lake  
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With nary thought of care.  
I know that God is near us  
Wherever we lay us down.  
But sure we feel His Presence more  
In Country than in Town.  
Then came the "Items of Local News."  
"Sure and doesn't me old lady of a goose be gone and run away on me

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"First the blade, then the ear,  then the full grain in the ear"

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## EDITORIALS

THROUGH the Fiume agreement between Italy and Yugoslavia, the whole political situation in southeastern Europe has changed. Since this pact was signed correspondents of the Monitor have reported by special cable or mail a number of developments which seem to threaten the peace of this turbulent region. The Belgrade newspapers inform their

### What Impends in the Balkans?

readers that the Bulgarians have warlike intentions and that the Yugoslavs must take precautions. The Bulgarians, on their side, say their army is powerless, being even smaller than prescribed by the Treaty of Neuilly, and that the authorities at Belgrade have plans to occupy Bulgarian territory, even the capital, Sofia, itself. Though the Greeks are absorbed by constitutional conflicts, they are taking military precautions, apparently against Bulgaria, their hereditary rival in Macedonia and western Thrace, but possibly in reality against Yugoslavia, suddenly strengthened by Italian support. Having given up Fiume, the Serbs have an increased interest in an outlet to the sea at Saloniki.

This interpretation of Yugoslav intentions is reinforced by the news contained in a special cable to the Monitor from its London Bureau last Friday to the effect that the British Admiralty has decided to "concentrate a considerable part of the British naval strength in the Mediterranean" and that this decision has "caused great excitement in Italy." Evidently the British naval authorities, who, as a rule, are the best informed in the world on all matters pertaining to shipping, ports, trade routes, and other maritime affairs, foresee the possibility of trouble in the Mediterranean and are not going to be caught napping. In that sea the Italians have made no secret of their ambition to predominate, and as Greece is their principal local rival they will naturally be inclined to favor the desire of the Serbs to have a port and possibly a naval base at Saloniki.

After over twelve years of almost continuous warfare, Greece is weak and internally upset. By their occupation of Corfu last fall the Italian Fascists proved that they are on the alert for opportunities to take advantage of this weakness. Had it not been for the British veto, the Italians would in all probability have remained at Corfu indefinitely. In the Aegean, Italy still holds several islands taken from Turkey in the war of 1912, the principal one of which is Rhodes. Since the population is Greek, and also for strategical reasons, Greece desires these islands back, while Italy with its growing population feels the need of still further expansion. On account of the Suez Canal and the route to India, Great Britain also has vital interests in the Mediterranean. In addition to Gibraltar, it holds Malta and Cyprus. To the Aegean, not only the Serbs desire an outlet (logically at Saloniki), but the Bulgarians want to reach it at Dedea-gatch through western Thrace, also held by Greece.

Undoubtedly a general readjustment is needed and, if peace is to be preserved, it will have to come. It would be fortunate if it could be had while all parties are in a less inflamed mood than directly after a war. The League of Nations ought to function as a supreme tribunal before which all such quarrels could be composed. Thanks to French aid, Yugoslavia is heavily armed and, by virtue of this power, may attempt to dictate to its neighbors, particularly if assured of Italian sympathy. When the big powers themselves use armaments for exerting "diplomatic pressure," what can be expected of the small? What Europe needs is "law, not war."

THERE is no doubt that the action of the Insular Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress, in deciding to refer to that body the whole question of Filipino independence, was in recognition of a growing sentiment in favor of a definite step toward this end. The vote of the committee was 11 to 5, and is said to reflect quite truly the prevailing sentiment in the House as a whole. Democratic members are virtually unanimous in support of the independence movement, and it is intimated that many Republicans are gradually swinging to that view.

But the committee, perhaps wisely, refrained from recommending any specific or definite measure. The drafting of a tentative bill has been made the duty of a subcommittee, of which Representative Knutson of Minnesota, a Republican, is chairman. This committee has been given quite specific instructions, however, and it is generally believed that the form of the proposed measure will follow closely the provisions of the joint resolution introduced early in the present session by Representative Cooper of Wisconsin. This document provides the machinery for accomplishing independence, and it is significant that by its terms it specifically perpetuates, in an adapted form, many of the cardinal provisions of the Constitution of the United States.

The people of the United States feel that through the agencies of their Government they have accomplished a great work in the Philippines. In all history it is doubtful if there can be found a parallel to what has been realized in the twenty-six years since the emancipation of the people of the islands from their slavery to ignorance and superstition. It is reassuring, therefore, to Americans as well as to the Filipinos, that precautions are to be taken that none of the advance made shall be lost.

The Cooper resolution safeguards the principal points in such a program. In addition to the clauses that the Constitution of the new government shall be republican in form, "and not repugnant to the principles of liberty and constitutional government embodied in the Constitution of the United States and the American Declaration of Independence," as well as for religious freedom

and for the maintenance of a system of public schools conducted in English, provisions are to be proposed under which a permanent naval base and coaling station may be maintained by the United States in the Philippines, and for the security of Philippine bonds that are held in the United States.

Thus is gratifying indication given that the pledge contained in the so-called Jones Act of 1916 is to be fulfilled. By it the declaration was made that it was the purpose of the American Government to withdraw its sovereignty over the islands as soon as a stable insular government was established. The Cooper resolution recites the fact that official acknowledgment that such a government has been established was made by President Wilson in his message to Congress on Dec. 7, 1920. Patiently, but persistently, since that time the Filipino people have petitioned the Congress of the United States that the promise be carried out.

In the progress of the world, measured by the yardsticks which are most commonly employed, the distance achieved by the Filipino people in a quarter of a century may not appear great. But when estimated by contrasts, taking conditions as they existed in 1898 and those present today, it may be acknowledged that never before, in a like period, has any race made so great a moral and spiritual advance. They have wrought patiently and have achieved much. Who shall say that to them does not rightfully belong that greatest of all worldly rewards, freedom and liberty?

MUSTAFA KEMAL PASHA, in one of the most dramatic events of modern history, has thrown down an inescapable challenge to the Islamic world. Its effect will be felt, in varying degree, throughout the vast empire of Muhammadanism that extends from Constantinople to Aden and from the west coast of Africa to Outer Mongolia, and among the 250,000,000 of the faithful who daily turn in prayer toward Mecca. In effect, the Kemalists have declared that the moment has arrived when the East—and particularly the Muhammadan East—must choose between the forces that make for progress and the progress-impeding influences of what they declare to be an outworn religious leadership. That question they stated clearly some time ago. They have followed the statement with a haste not at all Oriental by making their own choice. The Caliphate, faced toward the East, has been abandoned. The Kemalists have turned the course of Turkish destiny definitely toward the West. By abolishing the Caliphate they have challenged all Islam to make a similar choice.

### The Passing of the Caliphate

There has been a great deal said, in the few years just past, of the Pan-Islamic movement. Ascendant nationalism in Muhammadan countries was taken as irrefutable evidence that Islam stood at a new day into which, in the not distant future, it would enter as a united, revitalized, conquering power. It was not apparent to those who saw these signs in the Eastern sky that the very nationalism which they mistook to be evidence of a strengthened Muhammadanism was, actually, Muhammadanism's greatest peril.

Nationalism is definitely of the West. It has come as a product of Western and democratic contacts. It is bred in countless Christian missionary schools and in the universities of France and Germany and England. It is, in a general way, a youth movement—a youth movement that demands the uprooting of ancient customs and beliefs whenever the continued existence of such customs and beliefs appear to impede the progress of these countries toward the adoption of policies which have brought strength—material strength—to the Occident. Under the attacks of these modernists many an ancient and cherished custom has been abandoned within the past few years in the countries of the Orient. Most of all, the religions of the East have ceased to have a vital hold upon this new generation of Orientals.

Now, as a most extreme indication of this modernist-nationalist movement, the Kemalists have destroyed the Caliphate. Confident of the sufficiency of their own strength they have jettisoned an office which, since 1517, has been Turkey's greatest source of strength. Their action, doubtless, will divide the Islamic world.

On the one hand, the reactionary forces of Muhammadanism will align themselves against the Kemalists. A new Caliph, in all probability, will be elected. With dwindled glory this new Caliph will stand as the nominal head of Islam. On the other hand, the successes of the Turkish Nationalists have won for them the enthusiastic support of the Nationalists of other lands—of Arabia, and India, and the small states of the Middle East. These nationalists may, for a time, be overwhelmed with the suddenness of Turkey's action. But it is exceedingly likely that their sympathy with the program of the Kemalists will influence this group to stand with them. In this division may be found the beginnings of a disintegrated Muhammadanism.

FORMAL notice has been given by some forty members of the United States Congress that they will at once introduce identical bills designed to modify the existing prohibition enforcement code so as to legalize the manufacture and sale of beverages of an alcoholic content of 2.75 per cent by volume. This is the form agreed upon by the champions of wine and beer, and is supposed to satisfy, as nearly as possible, those who hope by such action to nullify the present law.

The campaign apparently is not a partisan one. Those who have appended their names to the notice are Republicans, Democrats, and Socialists. Perhaps if it is not partisan it may be supposed to be spontaneous. Many of the signers have not heretofore become well known to the newspaper-reading public, and it is only fair that they should receive at this time that measure of publicity to which their action entitles them. Mr. Berger, whose

name appears near the head of the list, which has been alphabetically arranged, is better known to the American public than some of the others because of his difficulties in establishing himself in a seat in Congress during and immediately after the recent war. Some of the others whose names are not so familiar are Messrs. Connery, Connolly, Doyle, Kunz, Lehlbach, Linthicum, McNulty, Minahan, Morin, O'Brien, O'Connor, O'Sullivan, Perlman, Rosenbloom, Schafer, and Voigt.

Senator Edwards of New Jersey took the initiative a day or two ago by attacking, in the upper house of Congress, not the violators of the present law, but the officials who are endeavoring to enforce the law. He, like many another who seeks to bring about the nullification of the statute, makes the mistake of assuming that if liquor were allowed to flow freely and without any attempt to enforce the edict of the people, there would be no difficulty whatever. He chooses to forget that it is not the absence of liquor which foment and breeds crime, but its presence. And with liquor present it does not so much matter whether its sale is legalized or whether it is peddled by bootleggers and rumrunners.

The cases which the Senator cites in his attack on the enforcement officers are cases which never would have arisen had the law been observed. It is not enforcement that has caused the crimes attributed to bootlegging, but the determined and persistent violation of the law by those who have sought, by every possible means, to restore the destructive influence of the saloon.

GOING home in spring is, if one were persuaded by certain poetic effusions, the paramount excursion.

Merely the thought of it summons remembered airs, crisp and stirring, pungent odors, suggestive of coming flowers, and pictures of woods and fens and hills, indelibly associated with tender comradeships. That these visions vary according to the environment and circumstances which have constituted what one has regarded as home, makes no difference with the delight of the fancied or the actual return.

He who turns his face eastward after long absences may possibly forget how thrifflily bedraggled town and meadow are likely to be in New England's transition from white to green. Only unforgettable harmonies will appear to him who thinks of home. The necessary lapses of time between the successive events of spring shrink into a single moment as his fancy runs at random from the first robin's note, on a morning made memorable by blithe or sober associations, to mossy banks where first violets have bloomed each year; from velvety pink oak buds to venturesome little ferns, and to pale forsythia gleaming in hedges and woods with golden proof that spring has unmistakably arrived.

If, however, the would-be pilgrim looks longingly from the east to the west, he will remember that spring, at least on the high plains near the mountains, is inconstant and jocular. He recalls how March, warm and beaming, year after year, unveils the grass blades to stretch up above the soil, and leaf-buds to come out of winter sheaths, only to have April fling her snowy jest over green lawns and blue anemones and feathery trees. But in the memory of clear, distilled air, the transplanted westerner will breathe all the ineradicable fragrances of his homeland. Quite as vividly, primroses may nod to him whose longings reach out across the seas; millions upon millions of delicate flowers, dancing upon their stocks, in numberless woods and copses and hedgerows, will beautify, in memory, his dear familiar England, as spring stirs the latent desire to return to one's childhood home.

East, west, north, south, it is the same. Every year the wonder of spring grips the heart of the world, bringing to it sweet renewals of hope and expectancy. Perhaps it is well that not all the old-homeward turning thoughts are privileged at such times to express themselves in geographical wayfaring. Perhaps it is better, and pleasanter in the end, if one learns in the place where he is that beauty and home belong to one spot or period no more than to another. Each region, and, indeed, each season, prodigally spreads out its characteristic loveliness for the enjoyment of all who will observe. And pleasant remembrances may be taken as proofs that perpetual springtime may abide in the understanding heart, and that home, after all, is coeval with loving kindness.

## Editorial Notes

WITHIN very recent memory the doleful forecast was made that broadcasting church services would keep from attendance at the various places of worship even those faithful ones who still make up their congregations. Hence the announcement of Dr. W. B. Millar, secretary of the American Federation of Churches, that the very opposite has proved to be the case and that as a direct result of the broadcasting people who have hitherto held aloof are coming into church membership, will be welcomed everywhere by radio enthusiasts, in defense of their favorite amusement. It is an interesting commentary on the world's outlook that something bad is nearly always foreseen as the result of practically every forward step.

ONE can hardly blame a certain English scholar for feeling decidedly provoked at having his copy of Schlusser's Septuagint Lexicon returned to him by the post office "undelivered" several weeks after he had mailed it to a friend in New York and with no explanation of the reason why it had failed to reach its intended destination. From unofficial sources he has since learned, however, that the American customs officials, being on the lookout for objectionable books, and not being able to read Latin or Greek, quite frequently subject to a similar humiliation classical volumes which reach their hands. How inexpressibly foolish unrestrained zeal often proves itself!

## A Way Out for the Farmers

By FRANK O. LOWDEN

THE laws of supply and demand extending over a series of years, in fixing what the political economists call the normal price, still obtain. To fix the market price fairly, however, that law is effective only "with free competition on both sides." Among the causes which may defeat free competition, Arthur T. Hadley, formerly president of Yale, in his work on economics, places ignorance first. In other words, there must be equality of understanding on the part of buyers and sellers before this law can operate successfully.

Now, apply this to the farmer marketing his product. How can he possibly know as much about the many and complex factors which enter into the thing as the great, powerful, organized buying corporations, including, during recent years, even governments themselves? If, however, he should enjoy equality of information with the buyer, he is not usually in a position to take advantage of his knowledge. In most instances, he must market his field crops as soon as they are harvested. He, therefore, dumps his entire crop upon the market within a few weeks, or months, at the outside. The effect inevitably is to depress the price.

Of course, the law of supply and demand still holds. Like any other law, however, in the economic or the natural world, it may be made to serve man, or, through ignorance, harm him. The law of gravitation is of immense benefit to the farmer when rightly used. It enables him to drain his lands, makes it possible for him to distribute water cheaply from a tank throughout his house and barn. The same law, however, may result in the very opposite of benefit if ignored or improperly utilized. The purpose of co-operative marketing of farm products is not to defy the law of supply and demand, but only to make that law serve the farmer fairly.

Only by selling through great commodity marketing associations can the farmer fully avail himself of the benefit of a protective tariff. In the realm of agricultural products alone does the price received for the exportable surplus fix the price for the great body of the particular product at home. Let us take wheat, for instance. It is said, and said truly, under existing conditions, that the price at Liverpool not only controls the price we receive for our exportable surplus, but that it fixes the prices upon that very much larger portion which we consume ourselves. It is assumed that this is inevitably so, and must always remain so. This, notwithstanding the fact that the markets of Europe are demoralized, and that, because of their depreciated and erratic exchange, they buy only from hand to mouth. How long the world's markets will be demoralized no man can say.

Now, in every other field of production America has declared its independence of Europe. The great manufacturer may, just as the farmer does, produce an excess over domestic requirements. He must, therefore, get rid of his surplus abroad. If he produces steel, he may sell it in the foreign market in competition with German steel produced by cheap labor, and, if so, he will sell for whatever price he can get. But he does not allow this to affect the price of the steel he sells at home. As to the domestic price, our import duties afford him protection. He justifies this discrimination by urging that greater and uniform quantity production makes the price of steel to the domestic consumer less than it would be if he had not sold his surplus abroad at an even lesser price.

All other producers dump their surplus and maintain prices upon domestic sales. The farmer alone dumps his whole crop and receives the price fixed in the foreign market. This he can no longer endure. He must manage it in some way so that he, like the manufacturer, can sell his exportable surplus, which is relatively small, in a free market on an open basis, just as the steel manufacturer does, and dispose of the remainder in the protected market of America upon a protected basis. In this way alone will he derive the full benefit of the protective tariff. In this way alone, also, under present conditions, will it be possible for him to receive a fair price upon the great bulk of his production.

The only reason I can discover why the farmer suffers this disadvantage as compared with the manufacturer is, that manufacturing is highly organized, while agriculture is not. If a great commodity marketing organization of any farm product handled the bulk of that product, it could treat its exportable surplus in one way and the great residue in another way, just as the manufacturer does.

If the price received from export sales abroad is below the cost of production, thereby entailing a loss upon the producer, the organized producers of that particular product can do another thing. They may require, under their contracts with the individual producers, that they reduce production sufficiently so that the portion of the product which goes into export should be reduced to the minimum. In other words, the farmers would in this way be doing by co-operation exactly what the other great industries have done through corporations. They would have put their great business on a modern business basis.

Now, what should be the relation of government to this great movement? I have tried to show that the only permanent relief for agriculture is for it to organize so as to take its rightful place in this organized world. If there be any other way out, those who oppose it should point it out. If, as I believe, this movement is essential to agriculture, we are entitled to the sympathy of the United States Department of Agriculture. The President has already, with his usual clearness and definiteness, pronounced in favor of co-operative marketing of farm products. The Secretary of Agriculture I believe to be in sympathy with it. If, now, the subordinates in that department will throw their support wholeheartedly to the cause, the movement will be vastly accelerated.

The most important agency in agricultural improvement in recent years has been the county agent. He is in immediate touch with the farmers and he knows their needs. He is very generally in hearty sympathy with the co-operative movement. Too often, however, he refrains from even expressing his opinion in favor of it for fear of criticism from the department at Washington. It is said that the department is supported by the taxpayers' money, and that, therefore, it cannot favor any particular method of marketing. If, however, a new system of marketing is vital to the well-being of the farmer, the department should give that method its wholehearted support. Co-operative marketing may be said rightfully to be the present policy of the Government. Congress enacted a law expressly to authorize the formation of these associations. The President, as I have said, approves the movement. And so, despite objections by those personally interested, I can see no reason why the Department of Agriculture should not heartily approve of the idea, thus releasing the large army of county agents who would gladly assist in this great work without any neglect of their other duties.